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Braving the rain



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Ed Bakan, a loyal customer of the Farmers' Market for five years, didn't let Wednesday's rain interfere with his routine visits to the Mary Mart parking lot. "I try to be here at 7 o'clock every Wednesday and Saturday," Bakan said. "I don't know what I'm going to do when the tomatoes are gone." Yesterday's showers brought rain to Maryville; however, only one of the market's vendors forged the cold wind and rain. Check next week's issue for an in-depth look at the Farmers' Market and the farmers who offer Maryville fresh, home-grown produce.

Hung jury ends teen's murder trial

By ABBY SIMONS
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

A hung jury was declared Wednesday in the trial of a Gower teenager accused of the rape and murder of a high school classmate.

After 17 hours of deliberation spanned over two days, the jury could not come to a unanimous verdict in the trial of Zacheriah Tripp, 16. Tripp was charged with kidnapping, forcible rape and murder in connection with the Dec. 3 death of East Buchanan High School classmate, Sarah Beth McCoy, 15, Easton. Tripp plead innocent to the charges.

Jury Forewoman Janie Whisenand told KCTV 5 News that the jury was deadlocked in a 10-2 vote and could not come to a decision. Whisenand, who said she believed Tripp was guilty of the charges, also said she was upset the jury could not come to a decision.

The jury began deliberations Tuesday after listening to eight days of evidence presented against Tripp. Early Wednesday the jury told Buchanan County Circuit Judge Randall Jackson the jury was deadlocked on a 7-5 vote, but Jackson told the jury to keep trying to reach a verdict. The jury was later deadlocked 9-3 and finally 10-2 before Jackson declared a mistrial.

KCTV 5 also reported that Buchanan County Prosecuting Attorney Dwight Scroggins will work at setting a date, possibly as early as tomorrow, for a new trial. If approved, a new trial would not begin until February at the earliest. In the meantime, Tripp remains in custody, while his attorney, Joseph Johnson, plans to apply for Tripp's bond tomorrow.

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Center refurbishes, provides training

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

When taking a few steps inside the newly renovated Children and Family Center of Northwest Missouri, one might think a happy family lived there with colored wallpaper and toy rooms throughout the house.

However, that is not the case here. Instead, children and families who experience problems, sometimes considered crisis situations, come for serious professional help.

Located on 2022 S. Main St., the wood-sided, three-story house is noticeable with its pink trim and colorful signs in the front yard. With a new logo that displays a sunflower embedded inside a blazing sun, comes a new addition to the house, as well as a new commitment for the staff.

With new installments, including a new bathroom and entranceway, the house does

not look the same as it did one and one-half years ago. The house is also an overnight shelter after originally being a day clinic.

Bren Manaugh, executive director of the Children and Family Center, said they have been doing extensive amounts of remodeling since winter 1999. Most of the windows have been replaced and new carpet and paint have both been added. The complete process was divided

into two parts, the first part was completed in spring 2001. The final process recently

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PHOTO BY JAKE ALBANEZ/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Bren Manaugh, executive director of the Children and Family Center, guides a tour Tuesday through the newly renovated facility. The Center serves all of the basic functions of a house and also offers counseling.

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Find out what was discussed at Wednesday's Faculty Senate meeting, scores and photos from Saturday's football game, and the latest on the Tripp case.

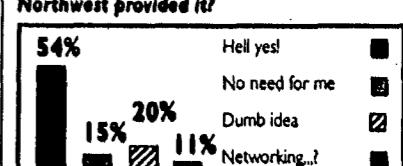


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Administrators discuss statistics

By STEPHANIE SUCKOW
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest faculty and staff reviewed Campus Safety and enrollment statistics at a Leadership Forum Wednesday.

The overall purpose of Wednesday's forum was to present issues that have already been discussed by the President's Cabinet or the Board of Regents, said Tom Vansaghi, vice president of University relations.

"Leadership Forum is intended to serve as an internal communication vehicle between leaders on our campus concerning current issues," Vansaghi said. "The Leadership Forum provides the administration the opportunity to get feedback before policies are adopted."

Clarence Green, director of Campus Safety, presented information on Campus Safety crime statistics. Green first explained the four major areas that Campus Safety is responsible for: campus, residential halls, buildings belonging to students such as fraternities and public property surrounding campus. All statistics were based on crimes that occurred

within these areas.

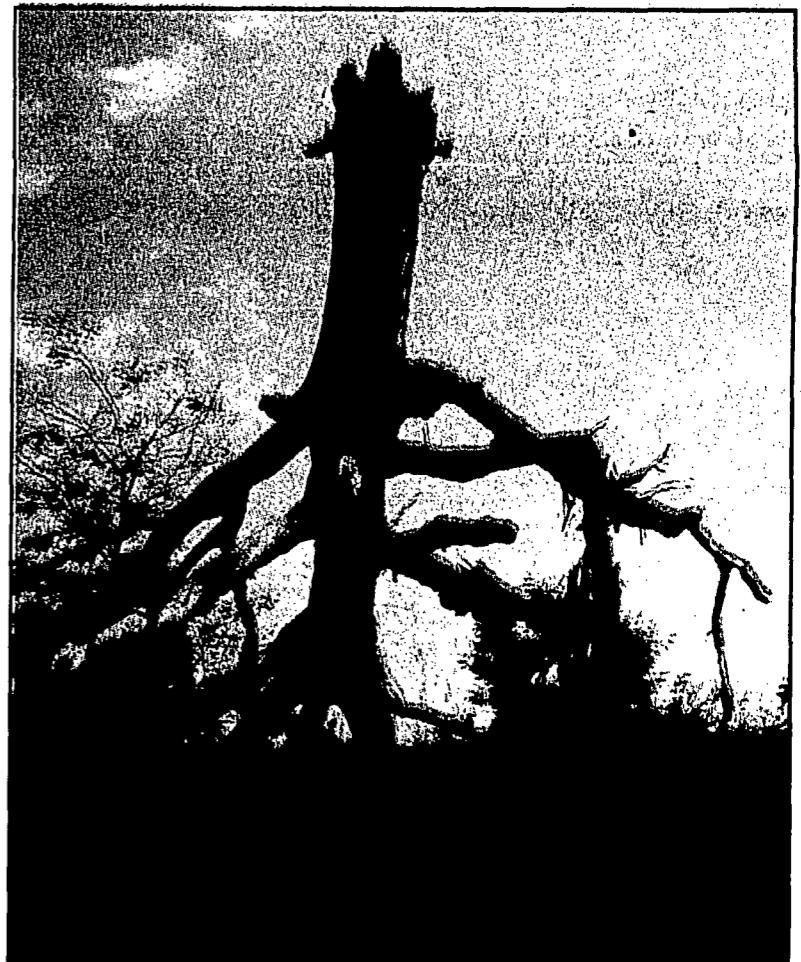
Crime involving alcohol was the first topic discussed. Northwest had 32 liquor law arrests in 2000, but only 13 arrests in 2001. Green believes this change was due to revisions made in the punishment procedure of those who were caught. Fines have now been raised and more residential hall assistants are required to patrol the halls in freshmen dorms. Freshmen Seminar also offers underage drinking prevention programs to discourage students from drinking.

Sexual assault cases were the next topic. Over the past three years only 1-3 cases have been properly reported. Green explained this number was not an accurate portrayal because 146 cases were brought to the attention of the St. Francis hotline, but were never taken to the next level of actually reporting them.

"People are nervous, fearful, afraid of reporting them because this was a traumatic experience that they don't want to experience

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Unknown Wonders of Nodaway County

PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR
After being uprooted, overturned and planted into the ground upside-down in 1993, a burr oak on the property of Biff and Sandy Harden has attracted numerous visitors.

Toppled oak tree attracts curious visitors, questions

By ABBY SIMONS
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Some find it amazing, others see it as odd and unnatural. But to many, it's the greatest pick-up line in Northwest Missouri.

"You wanna see an upside-down tree?"

In its near decade of existence, the infamous inverted burr oak of rural Burlington Junction has remained the stuff of legend among residents of Nodaway County. Since its weather-induced fate, the tree has attracted curious onlookers of all ages who travel far north of Maryville in their quest for enlightenment regarding whether the rumors of an upside-down 30-foot tree are really true.

"A lot of people know about our tree, there's no doubt about it," said Sandy Harden of Burlington Junction, who, along with her husband, Biff, owns the nearly 1,000 acres of farmland located 14 miles northwest of Maryville on which the tree resides. "We catch people out there all the time. It's really kind of funny that so many people have found out about it."

The Hardens said the fate of the burr oak was changed forever nine years ago last May, when the flood of 1993 devastated the Midwest. The couple said they did not realize the magnitude of one of the summer's many storms the evening a tornado ripped through the pasture, completely uprooted the tree and then slammed it, perfectly inverted, directly on the area from which it was pulled.

"I remember we were coming home from Maryville the night of the storm and we thought the sky looked pretty dark," Sandy said. "The next morning, we noticed some wind damage on the property, went to the pasture and the tree was just upside-down."

Unsure as to whether the tree would stay upright, the Hardens took video and photographs of the oak, as well as a number of other trees that were split by the high-speed winds and showed them to a local insurance agent.

"Our insurance agent looked at the photos and said 'Well, maybe something strong

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University club renovates local park

By JILL MUEGGE

MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The entrance to Dobbin's Woodland received a makeover thanks to members of Northwest's 102 River Wildlife Club.

Members of the club made three trips to the forest located about 10 miles southeast of Maryville to spruce up the entrance to the forest.

The original sign for the forest was purchased in the 1970s and was in need of some attention. Students spent their time repainting the entire sign, along with mowing, weed-eating and general restoration of the forest entrance. Members of the club supplied all materials needed for the renovation.

Surrounding schools have taken many school trips and researched projects at Dobbin's Woodland. Students have studied bird life, plant taxonomy and ecology. Families are encouraged to visit the woodland, said David Easterla, adviser for 102 River Wildlife Club and distinguished professor of biology at Northwest.

"All that is asked is that you take home only pleasant memories and leave only footprints," Easterla said.

Upon its purchase, Dobbin's

Woodland was deeded and dedicated to the Nature Conservancy of Missouri.

The Nature Conservancy is an international nonprofit organization with a mission to find, protect and maintain the best examples of communities, ecosystems and endangered species in the natural world. The Nature Conservancy has more than 900,000 members and the Missouri chapter has more than 13,500 members.

Throughout the year, 102 River Wildlife Club has provided service for other organizations such as basic maintenance for the Mound City Wildlife Refuge and also pick trash up along their adopted highway over the 102 River twice per trimester.

The 102 River Wildlife Club currently has around 35 active members and is open to all students and majors with students joining for different reasons.

"I like it because it is one of the more active clubs at Northwest," said Club Treasurer David Farmer. "I like the social aspect of it."

The club meets every other Thursday at 5 p.m. in Garrett-Strong 2250. For more information call Easterla at 562-1813.

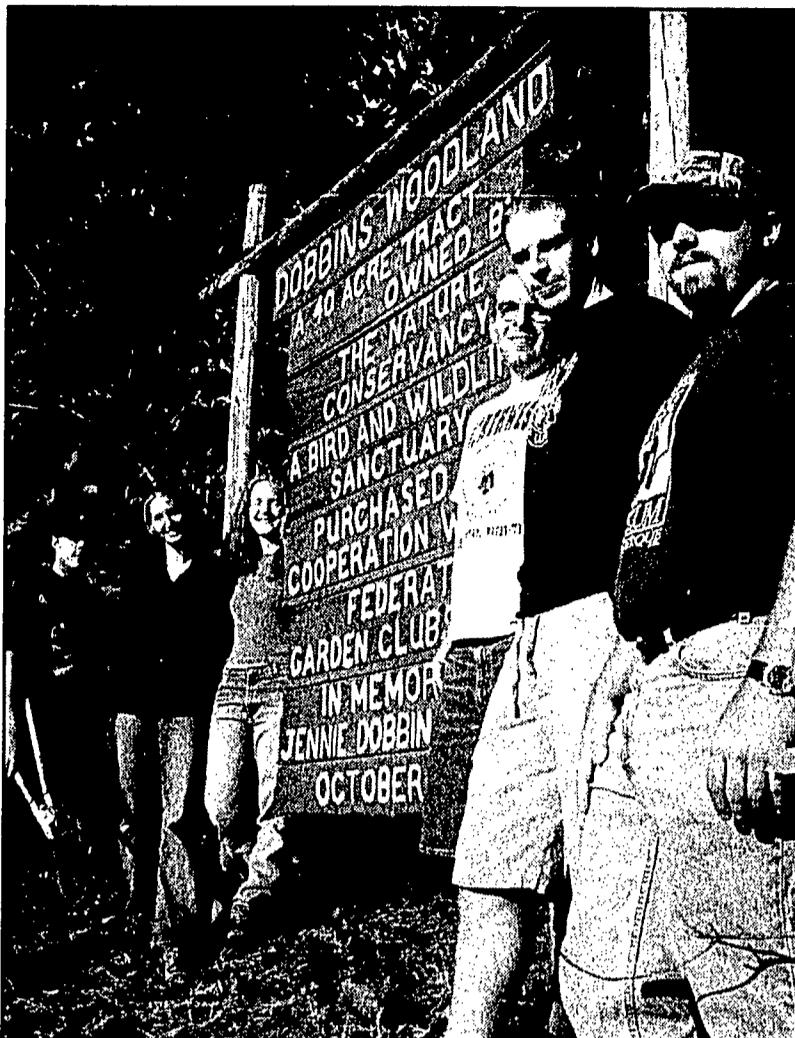


PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR
Members of the 102 Wildlife Club, (from left) Sean Counihan, Andrea Estes, Alane Franken, David Farmer, Ben Heavilin and Nathan Woodland painted and restored the entrance to Dobbin's Woodland south of Maryville. The group also participates in other service and restoration projects throughout the city.

Distinguished lecturer to discuss adolescent violence

By SARAH SWEDBERG

MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A well-known author and distinguished lecturer will speak to the Northwest and the Maryville community on issues relating to male emotional development at 8 p.m. Monday at the Performing Arts Center.

William Pollack, psychologist, professor and author, will discuss the violent shooting sprees that rocked Jonesboro, Ark., and Littleton, Colo., and how they impacted the lives of people in those communities. Pollack will not only address the topic of violence caused by male adolescents, but

will provide solutions.

Pollack is an expert in the field of male emotional development including violence, depression, gender studies and parenting. He is an assistant professor at Harvard Medical School in the department of psychiatry.

"The lecture is for anyone," said Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director. "Psychology, sociology and education majors would really benefit from seeing Dr. Pollack speak."

Mindy Russell, an educational psychology professor, has been to one of Pollack's speeches before.

"He is a wonderful speaker and

very interesting," Russell said. "I am looking forward to it (the lecture)."

Russell said Pollack has a lot of information, facts and statistics that would enhance students' knowledge in a variety of ways.

"I think it will certainly help students to think about another aspect of diversity that we often do not think about," said Carol Tjeerdsma, instructor of curriculum and instruction.

Northwest scheduled the year's lecture series with the American Program Bureau. Vanosdale works with an alumna to receive special deals for the two lecturers the University will present this

year. The University pays between \$3,000 to the extreme of \$85,000 to \$90,000 per speaker.

Vanosdale said prices for each speaker varies.

Pollack is currently the co-director of the Center for Men and the Director of Continuing Education (psychology) at McLean Hospital. He has served on the U.S. Presidential Initiative, The National Campaign Against Youth Violence and is a consultant to The United States Secret Service, including its collaborative Safe Schools Initiative with the U.S. Department of Education.

Students gain real world skills, knowledge during Career Day

By SHANNON POLASKI

MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Hundreds of students had the opportunity to talk with prospective employers Tuesday.

Representatives from more than 100 companies around Missouri and surrounding states attended Northwest's Fall Career Day in Bearcat Arena.

Representatives met with students, reviewed resumes and conducted interviews for internships and full time, part time and summer jobs.

Jacci Prewitt, a pre-dental major, said she could not find the exact position she was looking for, but was open to new ideas.

"You get to explore careers you never thought you would have any interest in," Prewitt said.

Companies such as Cerner Corporation, Commerce Bank, Daimler Chrysler, The Kansas City Star, Sprint and the Federal Reserve Bank were in attendance.

Joan Schneider, director of Career Services, said Career Day is a great opportunity for all students.

"There are so many potential employers here with such easy access to students," Schneider said. "The employers get to meet with potential employees and the students get to explore their options with so many different employers all in one day. It's a win-win situation."

Officials form program to improve quality, cost

By KARA SWINK

MISSOURIAN NEWS EDITOR

A new program being implemented throughout the University has saved Northwest more than \$7,000 and will save more in the future.

The Quality/Activity-Based Costing program utilizes a process to increase quality and decrease costs.

The process has four basic steps that will be used on campus:

- Identify and validate Key Quality Indicators.
- Select value-added measures and indicators.
- Identify activities that produce desired results and use Q/ABC techniques to link costs to outcomes.
- Use self-reflection and benchmarking to find more effective or efficient ways to accomplish the process.

A workshop by the Datell Corporation took place for about 45 faculty members to discuss the Q/ABC system Sept. 16-17 and taught departments how to focus on actionable costs.

Hubbard wants departments to start formulating an assessment strategy to see what can be improved and what cannot be improved.

"They learned the methodology to use in different areas," Hubbard said. "I think the faculty were excited about it and were very positive about it."

Mike Wilson, associate professor of accounting, economics and finance, attended the workshop and said implementing the idea of Q/ABC into departments will benefit the University.

"The University wants to reduce costs that won't hurt quality, that's what is really different about this," Wilson said. "They are using it in the Admission Building to combine jobs which is saving dollars."

Roy Schwartzman, associate professor of communication, has started using Q/ABC in his classes and recently returned from a conference in Washington D.C., where he demonstrated Q/ABC.

Schwartzman found a way to improve efficiency when it came to his online communication course, and discovered that by using Q/ABC he reduced unnecessary e-mail for both faculty and students.

"I found that we can improve efficiency by reducing e-mail regarding confusing course elements by two-thirds in one trimester," he said. "I found that we can save countless hours and instructor time."

Schwartzman said the process will improve communication between students and faculty.

"We are going to start using more technology for feedback, and the quality of feedback will be better for students if used correctly," Schwartzman said.

The University received an award for the program by the American Communication Association, Schwartzman said.

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Sarah Marsh, a child and family studies major, attended Career Day Tuesday. Marsh talked with David J. Wilson from Children's Square USA, about job opportunities.

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Annual walk to benefit cure research

By JANELLE DAVID
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Citizens of Maryville will be lacing up their tennis shoes this Saturday to take a walk to remember.

This year's motto is "Taking Steps to Cure Alzheimer's Disease" and that is exactly what the Alzheimer's Association-Northwestern Missouri Chapter are preparing while playing host to their sixth annual Alzheimer's Memory Walk.

"To be a part of this event, you're welcome to just show up, sign a release form and walk," said Joe Franks, fifth year volunteer and co-chair of this year's Memory Walk. "Participants are also welcome to solicit donations from friends and family."

Registration begins at 9 a.m. under the shade of Beal Park's main shelter, located on North Laura Street. Participants are welcome to donuts, coffee and fruit until 10 a.m. which is when the three-mile lap commences.

The walk usually ends by 11 a.m. after the group has walked the distance of Seventh Street, from University Drive to Fourth Street and back on Laura Street, returning to the park. At this time, walkers and sponsors will be treated to hot dogs, chips and soda, while door prizes, furnished by local merchants, are given away.

"Not only is the Maryville community extremely supportive of our organization, but Northwest students are significantly helpful as well," Franks said. "I think it's great that the younger generation is able to see the importance of this event because it's inevitably going to aid their generation in later years."

Alzheimer's is an incurable, degenerative disease of the brain which prevents dead brain cells from being replenished. The victims of the illness eventually experience impaired memory, behavior and thinking. Nearly half of the U.S. population older than 85 and 10 percent of adults above the age of 65 have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's.

Since 1988, the Northwestern Missouri Area Chapter has been raising money to aid in illness research. The non-profit organization funds seminars and distributes brochures directed toward educating friends and family of those afflicted with Alzheimer's about the ailment.

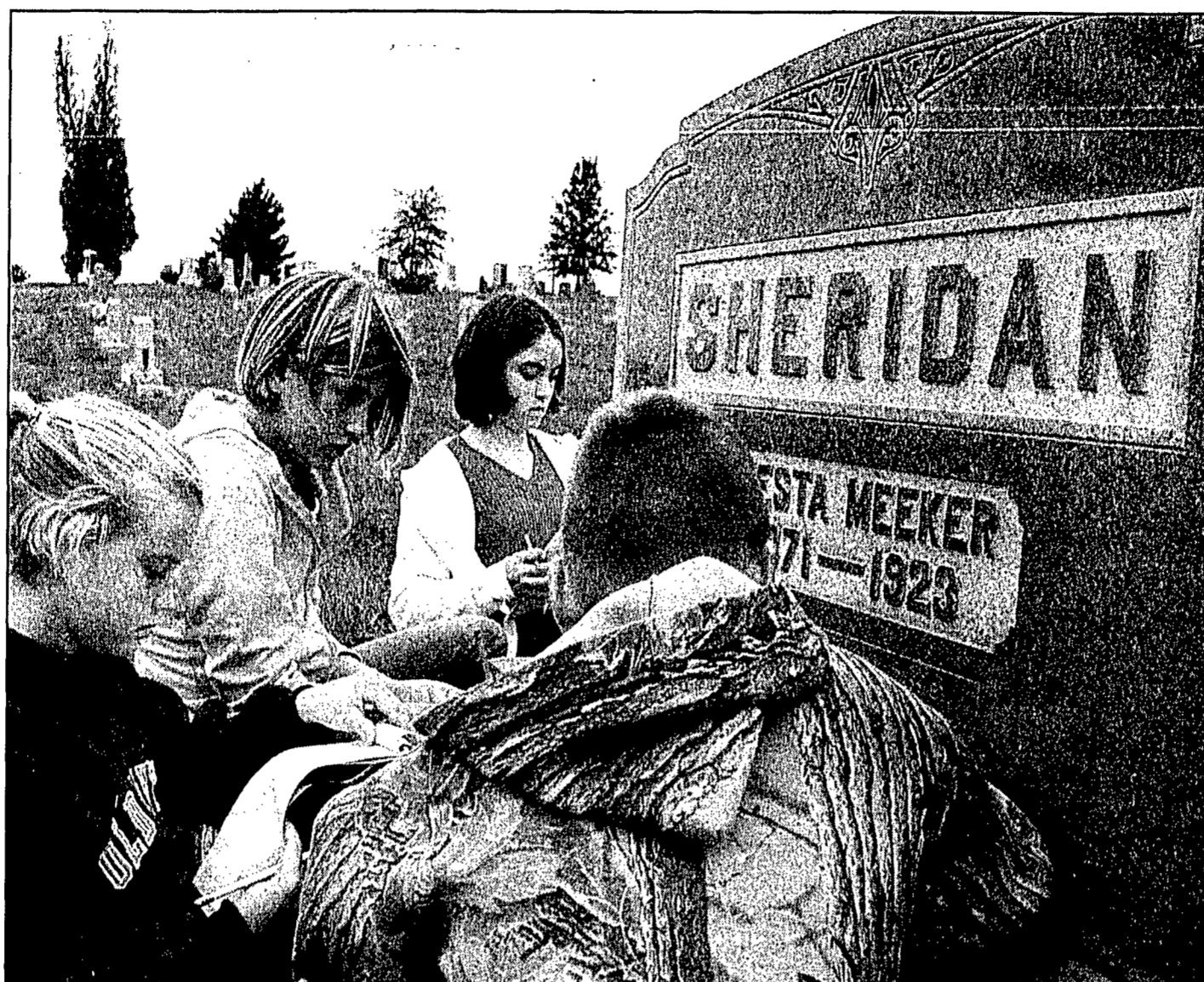
The Northwestern Missouri Chapter progressively raises more money each year. In fact, this area provided more than \$10,000 at the 2001 Memory Walk.

"It's great to see so many students and organizations interested in participating in the walk because it helps such a good cause," said Volunteer Coordinator Lisa Doudna.

Anyone interested in participating in the event can contact Doudna at 562-1954.

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Cemetery sleuths



Maryville Middle School sixth-graders (clockwise from left) Kristen Damgar, Allycia Spire, Meghan Parshall and Chris Mace copy an epitaph from an early 1920s headstone at Merriam Cemetery Friday. For the culmination of their primary research unit, students traveled to Clinton Allen Monuments as well as the cemetery in order to learn different cultures and customs throughout history by the information from the stones.

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Chamber to revitalize downtown area

By SARAH DITTMANN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is looking to breathe life back into downtown through a retail revitalization program.

Over the past two years, the Chamber has conducted two surveys, one of Northwest students and one of Maryville residents, to determine the retail and entertainment needs of the city.

Based on the surveys, the Chamber has recognized 12 areas on which to concentrate for improvement: image and appearance, retail recruitment and retention, tourism and community history, traffic congestion, housing needs, alumini recruitment, an image campaign, grants, quality of life and overall economic development issues.

Colleen Hastings, executive director of Chamber, stressed the importance of the retail recruitment and retention sector of the plan at this stage in the revitalization.

"We're looking at customer loyalty and how we can increase that and increase our customer service and finding out what it is people want when they go shopping and why they shop where they do," Hastings said. "Even

though there may be one particular reason that they (customers) came to Maryville to shop, perhaps once they're here, they will take advantage of some of the other stores and things to do here so that we can keep them here a little bit longer."

The scope of the plan applies to more than just downtown.

"We're looking at not only what we call the downtown area around the courthouse square, but all of our retail segments of the community, anywhere from the north to the south end of town," Hastings said.

One aesthetic change that has already taken place in Maryville is the replacement of the old wine barrel planters in the downtown area with sturdier concrete planters.

Maryville Citizens for Community Action (MCCA) is also working to obtain funds and a location to erect a mural in town.

"Those (the mural and new planter barrels) are all pieces that help contribute to the overall vitality of the retail area," Hastings said.

This holiday season, the Chamber is also hoping to replace the aging Christmas banners, Hastings said.

"(We're hoping) that we will then be able to purchase some other banners to go up during other parts of the year," she said. "Again, it just gives such a more inviting atmosphere and really starts to create an image for the community when people come to town."

Hastings pointed out that while residents may not see huge changes right away, progress is taking place.

"Revitalization is a slow process, and I think you'll see bit by bit different components of that coming into play and making it a more attractive place for shoppers," Hastings said.

"(We also are) making it a place where people that either have a business or are looking to start a business can say, 'Maryville's a place where I want to be. There's a place that really looks like it's thriving, and I think businesses will do well there."

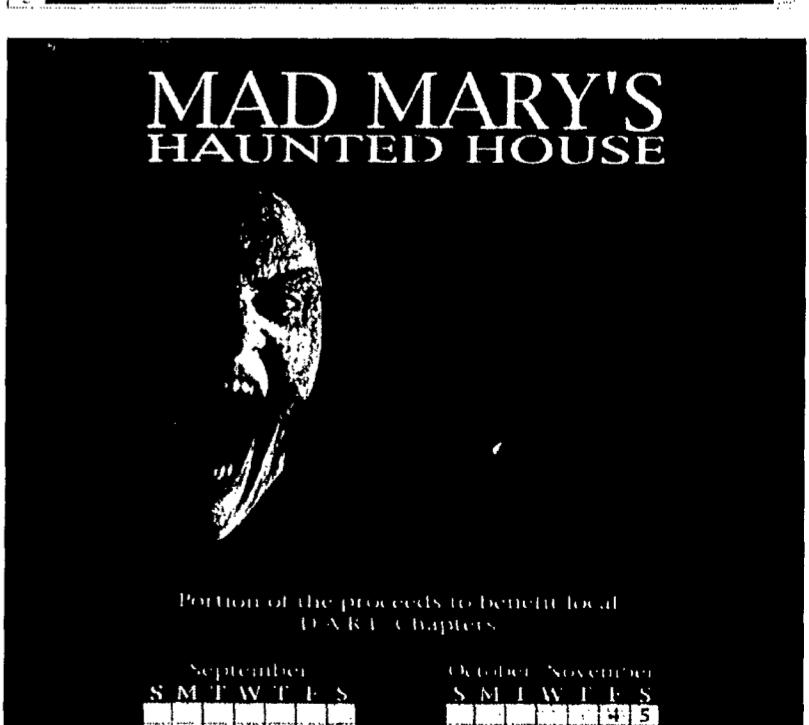
Hastings is looking forward to additional developments as the Chamber gets deeper into revitalization.

"In my eyes, it'll never be completely done," Hastings said. "I think you're always wanting to grow and change, and change is good."

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Breanna Wonderly of Conception and Holly Holtman of Conception Junction exit Beeswing Creative, one of Maryville's newest businesses. In the foreground is a new concrete planter.



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The Fire This Time

Power of protest remains important

Protest as a form of political action and social expression is often seen as a thing of the past — that it was something relevant in the 1960s, when civil rights marchers were attacked on television with fire hoses and police dogs, or in the 1980s in places like China, where student demonstrators were crushed by tanks.

But protest in the 21st century, in a time when political participation is dismal and public opinion is expressed basically in endless sample polls, is just as important as it has always been — and it seems to be re-emerging.

Although it hadn't even really left, protest was put on the public map in the United States again in 1999, when nearly 100,000 people marched for global economic justice and workers' rights at the World Trade Organization meetings in Seattle. The protesters were met with police brutality, including the use of deadly chemicals on peaceful demonstrators and laughable one-sided coverage by the media.

Since Sept. 11th, despite admonishments by the media and the White House against dissenting opinions, protests on a range of issues are increasing on college campuses.

Immediately after the attacks, students at Wesleyan University organized a National Day of Action to call for "peaceful justice" in America's response. They were joined by thousands of students from Harvard, Duke and elsewhere, and later marched to Sen. Joseph Lieberman's home.

Last December, at Hampshire College, students and faculty together passed a resolution condemning the "war on terrorism" as "unjust" because it "kills innocents overseas and threatens our safety and civil liberties at home." It was approved by 85 percent of the college.

At the University of California-Berkeley, the focal point for much of the student activism of the 60s, students created Students for Justice in Palestine to denounce Israel's illegal occupation of the West Bank. After demanding that the school divest \$6.4 billion from businesses with ties to Israel, the group was suspended. They've since been reinstated after a rally at the same plaza that helped birth the free speech movement.

Just this weekend, thousands protested the World Bank and International Monetary Fund meetings in Washington, D.C., calling for global AIDS research and for fair, democratic world economic policies.

There were also anti-war demonstrations, with participants marching to Vice President Dick Cheney's house to protest his pro-war influence in the White House.

Meanwhile, in London, a far more impressive protest was taking place. After the release of British Prime Minister Tony Blair's long-awaited, but unconvincing, dossier on Iraq, opinion polls showed the majority of Britons still don't support a U.S.-British invasion. That sentiment was overwhelmingly displayed Saturday as an estimated 350,000 marchers from all walks of life filled the streets.

Organizers, primarily the Stop the War Coalition, expected around 200,000 participants to protest the coming war and demand "justice for Palestine," but many more joined. The major news networks estimated there were between 250,000 and one half million marchers, stretching from the Embankment to Hyde Park.

The event was incredibly diverse, including mothers with children, members of Parliament, Hassidic Jews, Muslim organizations, refugee groups and the London mayor.

Former U.N. weapons inspector Scott Ritter addressed the crowd, stating he was there to "uphold the principle of the rule of law" by arguing against the illegal "regime removal" planned for Iraq. Ritter also confessed he was unsure how much the protest would influence U.S. policymakers.

He may be right about our policymakers, but, despite the currently narrow range of public debate, the American people are demanding meaningful discussion on national issues. As Carroll Doherty of the Pew Research Center said, it is clear that "the public does want a vigorous debate and they want a lot of questions asked" about the coming war.

The American people want more than the "absence of evidence is not evidence of absence" lack of logic of the Bush administration before going to war. And, as our politicians politicize the debate for the approaching elections, people may begin to enter the debate through protests on a large scale.

Groups like Not in Our Name are planning major anti-war protests for Oct. 6 and 7 in New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Chicago and many other U.S. cities. Although it's unlikely the events will make any changes in the decisions of our leaders, they will help to make the debate a truly public one.

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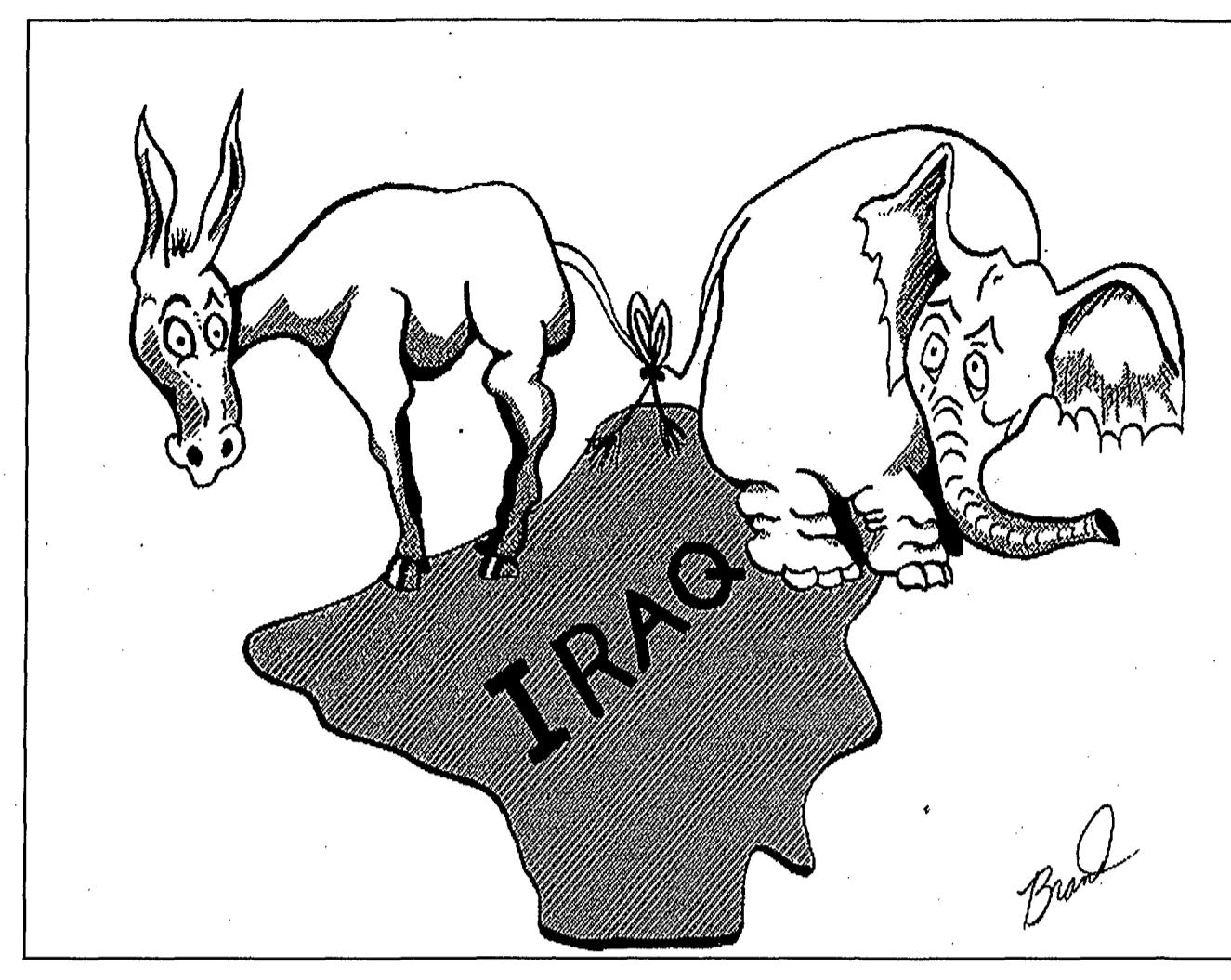
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Your View

What business do you think Maryville would benefit from and why?



"I would like to see an Old Navy. They have really cool clothes."

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"They should bring in a Best Buy, there aren't many electronic selections to choose from."

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"I think there should be strip clubs."

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Our View

American disgrace

Network's new television program to devalue importance of choosing country's leader

Somewhere the founding fathers of America are turning over in their respective graves about the fiasco known as "The American Candidate."

When Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin were writing the Constitution, they probably never imagined that a presidential candidate would be decided by a television show.

Welcome to the 21st century. In a country where "Celebrity Boxing" and "Temptation Island" draw top ratings, it is only fitting that Rupert Murdoch is the man behind the scenes.

"The American Candidate," set to air within the next year, will select 100 people and then narrow the cast down to one person who will receive an all-expense paid trip down Presidential Candidate Road.

Murdoch, who owns the Fox Network and the Los Angeles Dodgers, thought of this "brilliant" idea last week after he was through counting the money he made

from last month's "American Idol" pageant.

"American Idol" showcased several singers and performers and the viewing audience voted for the "idol" they thought was most deserving of a record deal. Now the people at Fox want to do the same thing, not this time with a presidential campaign.

This will not work. The job as being the head honcho of the most powerful country in the world is to be taken seriously. It is a tough job and it pays well.

Candidates that run for this position usually have good credentials: graduate degree from Harvard, (or another Ivy League school), high-standing positions with a state or the federal government and the ability to make critical decisions that affect millions of people across the globe.

Being picked by a random audience with none of those credentials, besides the approval of Murdoch, wasn't one of those credentials. So now the only question is, how can

it be stopped?

That answer is simple. Just avoid it all together. Do whatever it takes to drop the ratings of the show even lower than XFL ratings. Do not vote on the "candidates." And if somehow the "candidate" makes it all the way to the presidential election, do not even look at the name next to the likes of George W. Bush and other qualified candidates.

Ross Perot as the third party candidate would be welcome over one voted on by Fox viewers.

America has and always will be known as the home of the brave, not home of the absurd. Overall, this idea goes against everything that our country was founded on. Fox is an entertainment network and should stay that way. Leave politics to the people that have worked hard to get where they are. The presidency is not a recording contract. Leadership is not just a prize to be won; it is a position to earn.

My View

Students should make most of college years

When I first came to Northwest three years ago, I had high expectations of myself. There I was, sitting in my dorm room in Perrin Hall, three and one-half hours away

from my hometown, dreaming of how I was to begin my new life as a college student. Now that I'm approaching graduation in the spring, I have to wonder if I really made the most out of my college years.

It's definitely easy to tell yourself you'll join an organization on campus, work out at the Rec Center every day, find a new hobby and even get your homework done on time since Mom and Dad won't be there to remind you. If you haven't noticed, the world is full of distractions. And you are in fact a college student, prone to succumb to those temptations that will lead you away from your purpose.

If you think disciplining yourself in high school was a challenge, hello college. I got a huge wake-up call from reality my freshman

year. I loved freedom, after all who doesn't? In fact, I loved freedom so much that I tried to absorb every ounce of it until I couldn't take it anymore. I'm not saying I never went to class and just goofed off; I just mean I took a few too many things for granted.

For instance, there are a ton of things I wish I would have done back then. I would have held back my fear and done things I would never have done before. I probably would have enrolled in the scuba diving class, studied abroad in Germany, taken a few art classes and visited the library more often. Yes, that huge building on campus which holds a large amount of resources. You would be amazed at the amount of knowledge that's tucked away in there.

Don't just limit yourself to the Internet either. Chatting with your friends on Instant Messenger is fine, just don't let it consume all of your time. After all, who wants to spend all of their time hidden away in their room with their eyes burning into a computer screen? I'm also pretty certain when you make your journey out into the real world, future employers won't care how many video games you played or that you were an avid television watcher. Make the most of your time by branching out and learning about different cultures or enroll in a class you've always

been curious about. Pick up a newspaper and find out what's going on outside of your box. Take the time to learn a new language.

Another point I'd like to make is the flight of fury to get the heck out of Maryville for the weekend. I think it's great to travel and see other places besides Maryville, but don't make it a habit to always jet out every weekend. If you haven't noticed, there are things to do right here in Maryville to have a good time. Get to know the town and who knows, maybe you'll learn something new or find a cool place to hang out. Or maybe you'll just entertain yourself by watching the squirrels scurry around on campus. How are you going to grow and develop if you always run home on the weekends?

If you are reading this wondering what you can do to spice up your life; congratulations, I hope you are getting my message. I suggest making a list of things you want to do in life and stick to it. Future employers like to know you made an attempt to get involved with your campus. Just remember, college is a great time to break out of your shell, meet new people and visit interesting places. Don't let great opportunities pass you by, or it might be too late one day.

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Calendar of Events

Thu. 3rd ■ GED, 7:50 a.m., Wells Hall

120 ■ Wings Support Group, 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Children's Center

■ Family T.I.E.S. parenting info series, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Northwest Technical School

■ National Coming Out Week

■ Maryville Festival of the Arts committee meeting, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce

Fri. 4th ■ GED, 7:50 a.m., Wells Hall

120 ■ Nodaway County Historical Society Fall Fest, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Nodaway County Historical Society museum

■ Bearcat Steppers Dance camp, 6-9 p.m., Martindale Dance Studio

■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Conception Abbey

■ KXCV/DRNW Canadian Rockies Train Tour

■ 4-H Interstate Show, East Hills Mall, St. Joseph

■ 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Camp JoOta, Clarence

Sat. 5th ■ Alzheimer's Memory Walk, 10 a.m., Beal Park

■ La Fiesta Latina, 6 p.m., Union Ballroom

■ ACT Prep Shop

■ Phi Mu Kickball tournament, 10 a.m., Donaldson Westside Park

■ Alumni tailgate party, 5 p.m., Alumni House

■ KXCV/DRNW Canadian Rockies Train Tour

■ Tower Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church

■ 4-H Interstate Show, East Hills Mall, St. Joseph

■ 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Camp JoOta, Clarence

Sun. 6th ■ National 4-H Week

■ Madrallers perform, at Renaissance Festival, Bonner Springs, Kan.

Mon. 7th ■ National Coming Out Week

■ IM 4-on-4 whiffleball begins

■ Overeaters Anonymous,

6 p.m., Conference Room, St. Francis Hospital

■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church

■ Distinguished lecture: Dr. William Pollack, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Center

■ IM racquetball doubles entries close, noon

■ 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Camp JoOta, Clarence

Tues. 8th ■ New Nodaway Humane Society annual dinner meeting, 7 p.m., Country Kitchen

■ National Coming Out Week

Wed. 9th ■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square

■ National Coming Out Week

■ Matthew Shepard Memorial Day

■ Nodaway County University Outreach and Extension Council meeting, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse Annex

Thur. 10th ■ National Coming Out Week

■ Theater, "Mere Mortals," 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Studio



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Maestro Philippe de Chalendar conducts the Hungarian Symphony Orchestra through Divertimento No. 2, Opus 24. The Hungarian Symphony Orchestra performed four numbers and one piano solo, by Veronique Bonnecaze, at the Mary Linn Auditorium at the Performing Arts Center Tuesday.

News in Brief

Hy-Vee, United Way team up for fundraiser

The Maryville Hy-Vee will partner with United Way of Nodaway County for a special fund-raising event Friday from 2-5 p.m. and from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. Hy-Vee has agreed to donate \$250 worth of groceries in \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 gift certificates. For each dollar donated to the United Way of Nodaway County, the donor's name will be placed in a drawing for the certificates. For each \$5 donated, the donor's name will be placed in the drawing 10 times.

The drawing will take place at the end of the two-day event and winners will be notified, with their names posted at Hy-Vee. Gift certificates will be awarded from largest denomination to smallest, with no donor winning more than one gift certificate.

All donations to United Way are tax deductible and donors may request a receipt at the time of the donation.

Humane Society sponsors annual dinner meeting

The New Nodaway Humane Society will sponsor its annual dinner meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Country Kitchen in Maryville. The meeting will include

election of officers for ensuing year, a discussion of the plans for the new animal shelter serving Nodaway County, an update of membership and a presentation about shelter activities. No reservations are necessary. All members and interested people are welcome to attend.

Man stays hospitalized with West Nile virus

An Elmo man remains in fair condition more than a month after becoming infected with Nodaway County's first human case of the West Nile virus.

Zeal "Zeke" Smith, 68, remains in Clarkson Hospital in Omaha, Neb. According to Gregg Dahlheim, coordinator of media relations for the hospital, Smith has been stabilized but continues to receive help breathing.

Smith was rushed to Shenandoah Memorial Hospital after collapsing from the virus in his home Aug. 29. He was transported to Shenandoah Memorial Hospital and later transferred to Clarkson.

Smith's case is among 125 preliminary or confirmed West Nile cases in Missouri. Most cases have occurred throughout the St. Louis area.

Listening audience makes plans for upcoming trips

Travelers from KXCV/DRNW's listening audience will leave for a tour of the Canadian Rockies and Vancouver Thursday and return Oct. 12.

Reservations are now being accepted for the station's Christmas in the City tour in New York City Dec. 6-9. For more information call 562-1163 by Friday, to sign up as spaces are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

Highlights of the New York trip include a Broadway show, a tour of Manhattan featuring Greenwich Village, Chinatown, the Empire State Building, the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular and the Statue of Liberty.

Upcoming trips include the Supersaver Trip to Paris, March 6-11, 2003; Mackinac Island, June 5-14, 2003; Rhine River Cruise and The Romantic Road, Sept. 21-Oct. 4, 2003; and Williamsburg by Candlelight, December 2003.

For more information about any of the tours, contact Gayle Hull at 562-1163.

Bearcat Steppers offer two-day dance camp

Northwest Steppers sponsoring a two-day dance camp for the Northeast Nodaway High School dance team. The camp will be 6-9 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Martindale Dance Studio.

Stepper co-captain Amy Meyer said the program will benefit both dance organizations. During the camp, the high school girls will learn three dances and receive personal attention on technique and guidance for their program.

Proceeds from the camp will help monetary fund for the Bearcat Steppers to attend the 2003 National Dance Alliance Collegiate Championships in Daytona, Fla., in April.

Publication searches for writers, musicians

Students have the chance to display their written, artistic and musical abilities by submitting material to Medium Weight Forks.

Medium Weight Forks is a student publication sponsored by the English and art departments. All students are encouraged to submit fiction, creative

nonfiction, poetry, visual art and music.

Brian Fish, Publications Editor

is excited for the new issue. "Every issue is a major step above the previous one, and last year's issue was a groundbreaking one, so we have a lot to live up to this year," Fish said.

Music and poetry readings will now be available on CD-ROM supplement to the publication, he said.

Students can submit material to the English or art departments until the last day of fall finals. Editors will select those submissions that best contribute to the quality of the spring issue.

For more information, contact Fish by e-mail at s214741@mail.nwmissouri.edu.

Northwest student elected statewide leader

The Student Association of Missouri (SAM) announced Sept. 29 Northwest student Ryan Bauer of Northwest as the association's vice president.

Bauer is a junior majoring in political science and history and currently serves as an on-campus representative to Student Senate and as a coordinating officer for Bearcat Voice, a student advocacy group.

SAM is a non-profit organization owned and operated by students of Missouri higher education.

SAM is a network of student leaders organized to protect and promote the betterment of Missouri higher education. SAM sponsors an annual election of officers at its convention in Jefferson City that was Sept. 27-29.

Student tutoring center awarded re-certification

Northwest's Talent Development Center has been re-certified for its tutoring and supplemental instruction programs by the College Reading and Learning Association as part of its International Tutor Certification Program.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Sept. 22

■ Fire units responded to a vehicle fire in the 1500 block of North Main. Upon arrival, the cause of the fire was determined to be the alternator.

Sept. 24

■ An officer served a Maryville municipal warrant on Angel C. Camarena, 34, Maryville, for failure to appear. He was issued a summons for failure to appear and released after posting bond.

Sept. 25

■ An officer served a Maryville municipal warrant on Brian J. Boone, 23, Omaha, Neb. for failure to appear. He was issued a summons for failure to appear and released after posting bond.

■ An officer received a report from a female individual that her wallet had been lost or stolen from the 1600 block of South Main.

■ An officer received a report of juveniles shooting fireworks and possibly consuming intoxicants in the 1100 block of East Second. The case is being referred to the Juvenile Office.

■ Anna L. Nabors, 20, Maryville, was northbound in the 100 block of North Walnut. Charles J. Parietti, 58, Maryville, was facing westbound at the stop sign at Second and Walnut. Parietti then left the stop sign and struck Nabors.

■ An officer served a Maryville municipal warrant on April M. Martinez, 24, Maryville, for failure to appear. She was issued a summons for failure to appear and released after posting bond.

Sept. 26

■ An officer received a report of a Ford Explorer blocking the alley in the 200 block of North Ray. Walker's towed the vehicle.

■ An officer served a Buchanan County warrant on Eric L. Ferry, 17, Maryville, for probation violation. He was transported to Nodaway County Jail where he was held for Buchanan

County. He was also issued a citation for driving while suspended.

■ Penny D. Etter, Elmo, was parked in a private parking lot on Highway 136. It was struck by an unknown vehicle that then left the scene.

Sept. 27

■ Leslie D. Ackman, 35, Buchanan, was parked on the north side of the 100 block of East Fourth. Jami A. Chapman, 22, Craig, was stopped in the 100 block of East Fourth. Ackman backed out of a parking space striking Chapman.

Sept. 28

■ An officer received a report of a male individual attempting to use another person's identification to enter a business in the 300 block of North Market. Jay E. Pearson, 20, Everly, Iowa, was issued a summons for knowingly using another person's driver's license as his own.

Sept. 29

■ An officer received a report of a peace disturbance in the 200 block of West 12th. Upon arrival, Ryan K. Gilbert, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for permitting a peace disturbance.

Sept. 30

■ An officer received a report of an assault taking place in the 400 block of West Buchanan. Upon arrival, Kyle E. Lager, 20, Maryville, was issued a summons for assault.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville female that her vehicle had been damaged while parked in the 500 block of East Seventh.

■ An officer received a report from a Maryville male that someone had taken his side mirrors from his vehicle while it was parked in the 1100 block of College Drive.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Sept. 12

■ Campus Safety received a report of

a stolen parking permit from a vehicle parked in Lot 38.

Sept. 19

■ Campus Safety received a report of a stolen vehicle from an unknown parking lot on campus. The vehicle was later located and charges were deferred.

Sept. 20

■ Campus Safety responded to an intruder alarm in North Complex.

Sept. 21

■ Campus Safety stopped a vehicle for making a U-turn on University Drive. The driver was checked for driving status and it was reported to the officer that the driver had a warrant for arrest for failing to appear in court. The driver was arrested and booked into the Nodaway County Jail.

■ Campus Safety responded to South Complex for a fire alarm.

Sept. 22

■ Campus Safety responded to a vehicle accident where the striking vehicle left the scene.

■ Campus Safety responded to a peace disturbance call outside Franken Hall. The officer spoke with two subjects and issued both of them a summons to appear in the Office of Student Affairs for possession of alcohol.

■ Campus Safety responded to a loud noise call within Hudson Hall. Upon making contact with the occupants of the room, a summons to appear in the Office of Student Affairs was issued for possession of alcohol on campus.

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of property damage at the Administration Building.

■ Campus Safety stopped a vehicle on University Drive for failure to yield. An odor of intoxicants was detected and the driver, Douglas Craig, was asked to perform field sobriety tests. He was arrested for driving while impaired and transported

Sharing tunes

PHOTO BY KAT VORKINK/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

Grace Mulangi (left) listens to Gelina Fontaine and Kelsi Wright as they share their love for music at the picnic sponsored by the Intercultural and International Center Saturday afternoon.

to Nodaway County Jail where a breath sample of .213 was submitted. Craig was booked into jail.

Sept. 23

■ Campus Safety towed a vehicle from Lot 1 for possession of an altered permit.

DEATHS**Minnie Ott Hoffmann**

Minnie Ott Hoffmann, 93, Oregon, died Sept. 26 at Nodaway Nursing Home in Maryville.

She was born Jan. 31, 1909, to Godlup and Rose Ott in Oregon.

She is survived by four daughters, Juanita Schroeder, Beverly Sharp, Lola Sill and JoAnn Stinnett; two sons, Cleo and William; 18 grandchildren; one brother, George Ott; two sisters,

Fannie Adams and Emma Jordan; many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Services were graveside at Oregon Cemetery in Oregon.

Helen Margaret Allen

Helen Margaret Allen, 90, Maryville, died Sept. 26 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She was born Aug. 13, 1912, to Sam Mattson and Lena Mattson Cooper in rural Stanberry.

She is survived by two sons, Robert and Harold; two daughters, Judy Lyons and Kay Strueby; 20 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Services were at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at Nodaway Memorial Gardens

in Maryville.

Florence Eugenia "Jean" Linville

Florence Eugenia "Jean" Linville, 92, Graham, died Sept. 27 at Stanton Care Center in Stanton, Iowa.

She was born Sept. 2, 1910, to Newton and Mabel Harvey in Hatton, Ark.

She is survived by three daughters, Lynette Walk, Georgia Clark and Jacki Smith; one brother, Phillip Harvey; one sister, Virginia Carleton; two brothers-in-law, Alfred and Harlen; seven grandchildren, Scott, Mike, Barbara and JoAnn Walk, Marta and Doug Clark and Nancy Smith; and four great-grandchildren, Skylar and Mason Walk, Thomas Brown and Savanna Moffett.

Services were at Graham Union Church in Graham. Burial was at Grove Cemetery in Graham.

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OAK TREE from 1A

High winds, tornado leave tree inverted

did go through there," Sandy said. "When he found out there was a tornado in Hopkins, he was like, 'Yeah, okay, that was it.'"

While the tree has long since died, the Hardens said its entertainment value has not diminished, as the grove remains a hot spot for onlookers from throughout the county. Onlookers include a proud handful of local residents and Northwest students who have braved the treachery of State Highway 182, the narrow, shoulderless gravel roads of 182nd Street and the rough trail through the Hardens' pasture for the honor and bragging rights that come with seeing the true extent of mother nature's wrath.

"The tree isn't so much a secret, it's just that not many people get out that way," said William Fisher, a management major and Maryville native. "It's one of the few hidden novelties valued by us locals."

Fisher, along with fellow Maryville native Justin Dredge, stumbled upon the tree by accident about two years ago on a late-night road trip with friends.

"We actually saw it from the road and we stopped," Dredge said. "Now we always take friends out and show it to them if they haven't seen it. It's one of lots of neat things we go look at."

Not only does the tree remain popular among visitors, but also to the Hardens, who find it nearly unbelievable that, after nine years, the dead oak's roots continue to stretch high in the air.

"It's pretty weird," Sandy said. "When we first saw it, we thought, 'Wow, how strong would the wind have to be to pick it up and then slam it down so hard that it stays standing for this long?' The fact that it's still up is shocking to both of us, but if it stayed there forever, it wouldn't bother us because it's so neat."

While the Hardens welcome curious visitors to their grove, the landowners wish to remind them to treat the land, as well as the tree, with respect.

"We really don't mind visitors as long as they remember and respect that it is a privately owned property," Sandy said. "Besides, it's hard to keep people out of there."

ADMINISTRATION from 1A

Forum participants review statistics

all over again," Green said. "This is a very timely process and sometimes the victim will believe they caused it, when actually the person who did should be put away forever."

Northwest has issued an anonymous option in which any student who has been sexually assaulted can issue a complaint without giving their name. Green said he hoped this would help solve the problem, but instead it did not prove any noticeable changes in the statistics.

The next topic moved from crime statistics to workplace violence. A new checklist is offered that allows employers to identify potential problems with their employees. It is beneficial for employers to follow these guidelines for counseling,



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La Fiesta Latina celebrates Mexican and Hispanic culture with food and music. The event takes place at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Student Union Ballroom. This is the third year the celebration has occurred.

Fiesta educates with music, food

BY SHANNON POLASKI
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The third annual La Fiesta Latina, in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, will take place at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Student Union Ballroom.

The first La Fiesta Latina took place in Oct. 2000 when Tom Carneal, who at the time was chair of modern languages, asked Lenore Bellamy, a term appointment in the communication, theatre and language department, to help plan a fun event that would reflect Hispanic culture.

Bellamy joined forces with Rosanna Munoz, that year's President of Hispanic American Leadership Organization (HALO) and they developed the idea of La Fiesta Latina. It has been quite successful since, Bellamy said.

La Fiesta Latina's goal is to edu-

cate and entertain. It is a celebration of Hispanic food, music and dance. A mariachi-style band, Las Guitarras de Mexico, will serenade guests at their tables as they eat traditional Mexican foods. There will be dance performances, including a Honduran dance by Horace Mann kindergartners and Cuban salsa and merengue dances by Northwest students.

"I believe La Fiesta Latina has been successful because it is a fun, colorful event with lots of different foods to try," Bellamy said. "The dances are not only educational, but interesting and different. Because we have been supported by Northwest Culture of Quality, we have been able to keep ticket prices affordable, which is attractive to people."

La Fiesta Latina is sponsored by the

department of communication, theatre and languages, Northwest Culture of Quality and HALO.

"Hopefully La Fiesta Latina will not only help the Hispanic community, but also anyone who is not familiar with the Hispanic cultures become more in tune with what they represent," said HALO President Dan Ayala.

Tickets are available at the Student Services Desk in the Administration Building. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and senior citizens and \$4 for children ages 10 and under. Seating is limited with only 170 tickets available. For more information contact the department of communications, theatre and languages at 562-1279.

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AUDITS from 1A

Students express misfortunes over graduation delays, Registrar explains procedure of requirement process

regarding their senior statements or degree audits, Girard said.

"Students fail to read their audits as carefully as they should," she said. "We really want students to be responsible for their own programs and to know what they need. I encourage anyone who doesn't understand or needs help to come in. I'm not here to tell people you didn't make it."

When students complete 75 hours, students should request a statement of deficiency, also known as a senior statement. The statement allows students and their adviser to plan for that student's senior year. When students start their senior year they also need to apply for graduation, Girard said.

Girard's duties include looking over each student's transcript and their degree audit after students request their senior

statement and apply for graduation. She begins at the start of the alphabet and goes down the list looking for problems.

When problems arise, letters are mailed to the student in question and their adviser to inform them that a problem was documented, Girard said.

For most students, problems are often as simple as Dreyer's, because most of the letters end up getting an exception, Girard said.

There are those Northwest students, however, who have planned to graduate but cannot receive the department waiver.

Although Matt Kennedy, public relations major, never received a letter from the Registrar, he falls into the graduation crisis. Kennedy's graduation date was set for the last spring trimester, but he was unable to graduate because of conflicts concerning his class schedule.

When Kennedy pre-registered for the spring trimester, he planned to take 15 hours. He needed nine hours, a three-hour internship and a three-hour advertising course.

The advertising class, however, was canceled during Christmas break and Kennedy became aware of the problem when he returned to school.

The class was offered at a different time, but he had a class at the time.

Kennedy found out after the trimester began that the class was being offered on Sunday evenings, but his adviser Paul Crandon, now with the University of Alabama, neglected to inform Kennedy of the class.

"During my four years, I felt my adviser was very lacking and he hardly did anything for me," he said. "I think a lot of people would agree Crandon was not a very good adviser. You'd go into his office and he'd give you your password to sign up for classes and that was it."

Crandon could not be reached for comment.

Kennedy said there are advisers who ask if a student needs help and if students are comfortable with their adviser they should sit down with them.

"Start planning more for the future," he said. "I kind of went by the seat of my pants, which is my way, but I think more would rather plan and get out of here in

four years."

Although Kennedy stayed another trimester it worked out all right for him, he said.

"I'd say I'm one of the exceptions to the rules, because if someone got pushed off to another trimester they'd probably kind of pissed about it," he said.

Three weeks ago, Patrice Casey, child and family studies major, received her senior statement through the mail with a notice attached of lacking credit hours. Casey's paperwork had been filed during the spring trimester and she was dumbfounded as to why it took so long for the Registrar to write her, she said.

"I first called the Registrar instead of going to my adviser, because they seem to be the most informed people on campus," she said.

Registrar employees were not as helpful as Casey thought they would be after

she talked with four of them, she said.

"Most of the people who work in the Registrar's Office focus more on numbers and didn't really seem to care," she said.

Girard explained to Casey the information concerning her hours.

"I went through a lot of unnecessary drama because I knew my hours were all right," Casey said. "I'm not blaming the registrar, it was my fault and my miscomprehension of my senior statement."

Girard said audits should be discussed with an adviser before senior statements.

The Registrar is not on campus to keep students from graduating, Girard said.

"People think we are the bad guys and I guess we've gotten used to that up here over time, but we really do try to make an effort to inform," she said. "We just have certain things we expect students to read."



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BACK IN THE GAME

Maryville residents rebound from the strike threat and once again get lost in an American pastime

By ANN HARMAN
FEATURES EDITOR

A batter stepped up to the plate and sized up the pitcher as the pitcher did him. The pitcher heaved the ball toward the batter's box and in one quick motion the tiny ball was thrust into the sea of onlookers and right into the bare hand of 11-year-old Bill Lockwood.

"It wasn't as bad as it might have been to catch it with your bare hand," said Lockwood, assistant professor of educational leadership, of the foul ball he caught during a Yankees - Angels game. "I was part of a group of teenagers and they were giving me the look like 'we're gonna steal it.' Other people were cheering me on. It was a mix of reactions."

From the time he was a child growing up just outside New York City, Lockwood has loved baseball - especially the Yankees. He remembers greats such as Phil Rizzuto when he was "still filled with vigor," and the voice of the Bronx Bombers, Mel Allen.

Lockwood remembers Allen's knack for including everyone in everything and his signature, "Hello, everybody," at the start of every Yankees game as a truly all-inclusive invitation.

"Mel Allen was a Jewish man who grew up in Oklahoma and may have met some anti-Semitic people," Lockwood said. "If you miss the Yankee exit you go straight into Harlem. He would buy 100 tickets and pass them out (to people in Harlem), so that 'Hello, everybody' was very symbolic."

Memories such as catching a fly ball and the announcers are part of what keeps baseball alive for Lockwood. Another part though is the game's deep roots that keep him an avid Yankees fan.

"It's really in my childhood," he said. "My friends and I would make believe we were the Yankees and everyone always wanted to be Mickey Mantel. I've been out in the Midwest for 25 years and I still carry that tradition with me."

And if anyone thinks he's all talk, think again.

At the end of each regular season, Lockwood gets the statistics of every baseball player from the USA Today Web site, with special attention to the Yankees of course. He keeps the stats in a notebook so when it comes time for the opening pitch of the first playoff game, he's ready. It doesn't hurt to have his encyclopedic memory either.

"There have been about 2,500 players since 1961 when I was really old enough to get involved," Lockwood said. "If they played with the Yankees, I could tell you anything about them."

But even with fond memories and Yankees memorabilia, there is one thing that nearly turned Lockwood off from baseball for a very long time.

"I understand why the players were going to strike from a logical standpoint," he said. "At the same time, after just what's happened in a year, it just didn't seem right. I guess I would have been disappointed enough, if they had gone on with the strike, I would have stopped watching it."

Steve Tappmeyer, head coach for Northwest men's bas-

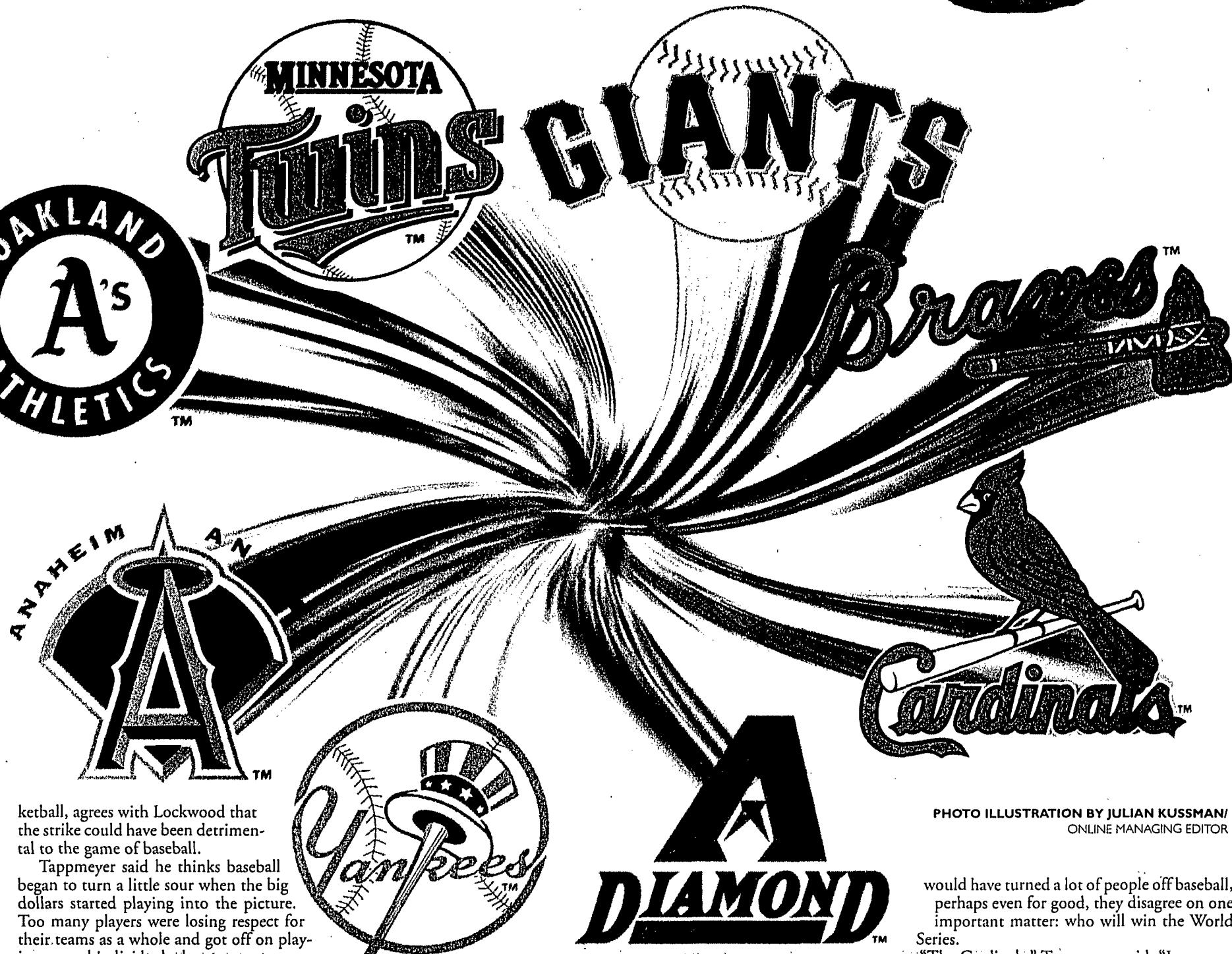


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ONLINE MANAGING EDITOR

would have turned a lot of people off baseball, perhaps even for good, they disagree on one important matter: who will win the World Series.

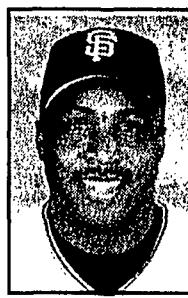
"The Cardinals," Tappmeyer said. "I gotta go with my heart."

Lockwood doesn't think so.

"I'd say it's about time for the Giants to come through," he said. "They have so many weapons and good players. I think they'll overcome their (weaknesses) and make it to the World Series. I don't think they'll win though. They'll play the Yankees and the Yankees will win."

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Breakdown of MLB divisional series matchups



San Francisco Giants

Top hitter: OF, Barry Bonds, 149 hits, 46 HR, 31 2B, 110 RBIs, .370 BA

Top pitcher: Kirk Rueter, 14-8 record, 76 strikeouts, 3.23 ERA

Bottom line: Going into the playoffs, Bonds has only hit one homerun in 97-at-bats in his postseason career.

Last time in playoffs: 2000, lost to New York Mets in division series, 3-1.

VS.



St. Louis Cardinals

Top hitter: OF, Albert Pujols, 185 hits, 118 runs, 127 RBIs, .314 BA

Top pitcher: Matt Morris, 17-9 record, 171 strikeouts, 3.42 ERA

Bottom line: Outfielder Jim Edmonds, owner of four Gold Gloves, made only five errors in 132 games this season.

Last time in playoffs: 2001, lost to Arizona in division series, 3-2.



Arizona Diamondbacks

Top hitter: OF, Steve Finley, 145 hits, 82 runs, 25 HR, .287 BA

Top pitcher: Randy Johnson, 24-5 record, 334 strikeouts, 2.32 ERA

Bottom line: Pitchers Johnson and Curt Schilling combined for 650 strikeouts on the season and were among the league leaders in wins and ERA.

Last time in playoffs: 2001, beat the Yankees 4-3 to win World Series.



Anaheim Angels

Top hitter: OF, Garret Anderson, 195 hits, 56 2B, 29 HR, .306 BA

Top pitcher: Jarrod Washburn, 18-6 record, 139 strikeouts, 3.15 ERA

Bottom line: The Angels are the only team since 1998 to hold a winning record against the Yankees with a record of 24-21 over that time span.

Last time in playoffs: 1986, lost to Boston in ALCS, 4-3.



Minnesota Twins

Top hitter: SS, Christian Guzman, 178 hits, six triples, .300 BA

Top pitcher: Rick Reed, 15-7 record, 121 strikeouts, 3.78 ERA

Bottom line: Outfielder Torii Hunter, who won his first Gold Glove last season, will be looking for his second after having a fielding percentage of .992.

Last time in playoffs: 1992, beat the Braves 4-3 to win the World Series.

VS.



New York Yankees

Top hitter: 2B, Alfonso Soriano, 209 hits, 39 HR, 51 2B, .300 BA

Top pitcher: David Wells, 19-7, 137 strikeouts, 45 walks, 3.75 ERA

Bottom line: The Yankees have won five World Series rings in seven years. This will be their 42nd appearance in the postseason.

Last time in playoffs: 2001, lost to the Diamondbacks in World Series.



Oakland Athletics

Top hitter: SS, Miguel Tejada, 204 hits, 131 RBIs, .308 BA

Top pitcher: Barry Zito, 23-5 record, 182 strikeouts, 2.75 ERA

Bottom line: Pitcher Tim Hudson led the American League in wins after the month in April, topped only by teammate Zito.

Last time in playoffs: 2001, lost to the Yankees in division series, 3-2.

Where Can I Park?

Conference Center parking lot #39 will return to being reserved for 24 hours.

Lot #20, behind Valk, will return to a commuter parking lot. Residents are allowed to park in the last two rows in the southeast corner.

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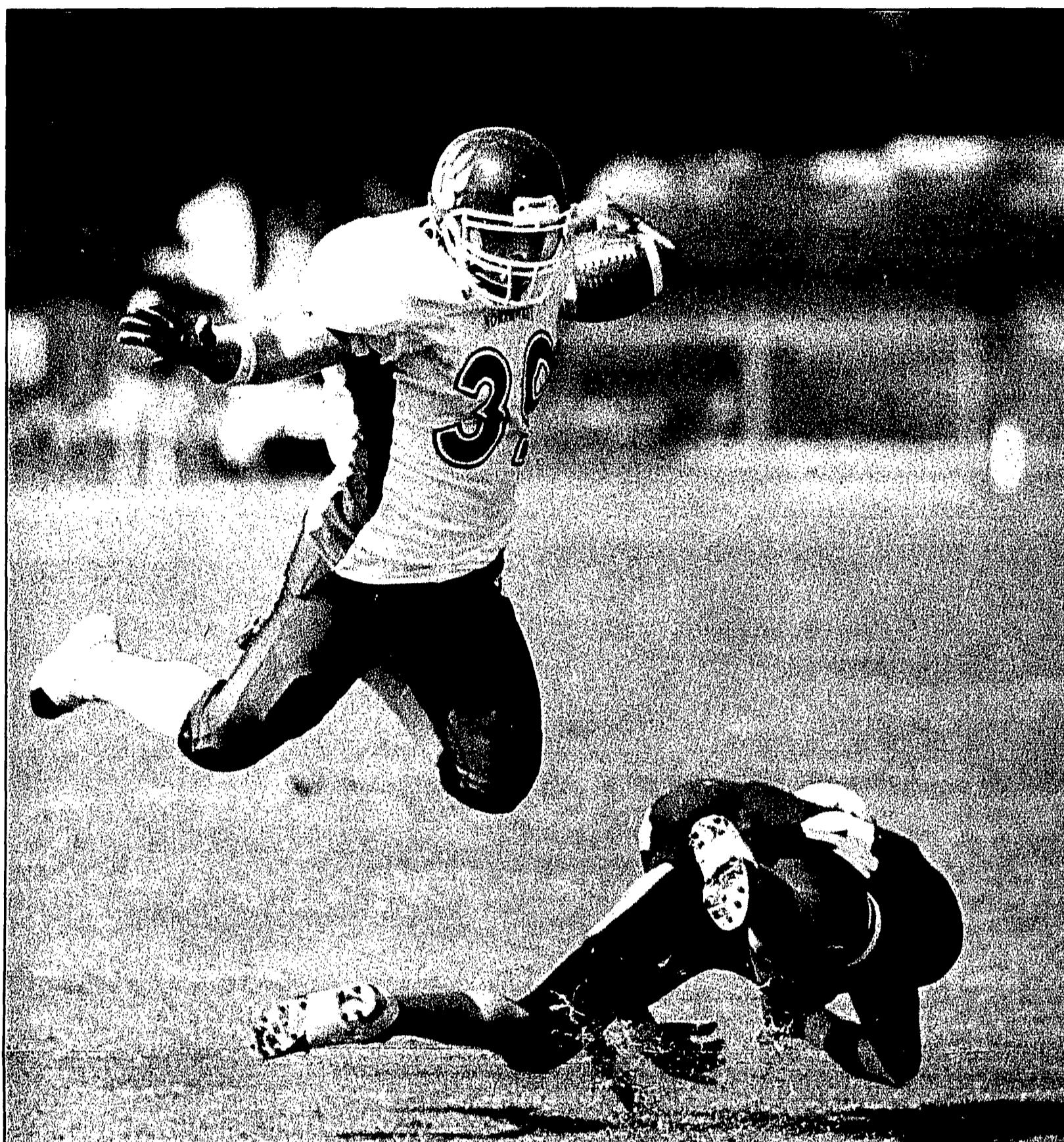
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Sports

Thursday, October 3, 2002



Redshirt freshman running back Mitch Herring leaps over a Southwest Baptist defender during the second quarter of Saturday's 28-7 victory. It was the first

of two leaps Herring would make on the play. His second leap was not as successful; he was tackled at the 2-yard line. He scored two plays later.

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Northwest football

BEARCATS FLYING HIGH

With four straight victories Northwest has climbed the AFCA Top 25 poll 10 spots to No. 6 since season start

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

It looked like Northwest might have a tough time going into battle in Bolivar Saturday without many of its key players, but that was not the case in the Bearcats' 28-7 win over Southwest Baptist University.

Many of the team's up-and-coming players played a big role in the victory.

"There was a number of guys that had an opportunity," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "I feel like there was a lot of guys that stepped up."

Redshirt freshman running back Mitch Herring ran for a career high 133 yards on 23 carries and one touchdown in his first start. It was the first time this season that Northwest had a 100-yard rusher in a game.

He replaced senior Geromy Scaggs who is still nursing a bruised sternum injury.

"Mitch plays with a lot of enthusiasm," Tjeerdsma said. "It was a great effort on his part. Anytime we can get that from our 'A' back then we're going to have a good game."

Sophomore Jamaica Rector, had to sit out his first game of the season because of an ankle injury, but it was not a problem as his younger brother, freshman Andre Rector, stepped up and scored his first touchdown of his collegiate career.

The injury to Jamaica Rector also left the door open for sophomore Nick Glasnapp who was on duty returning punts.

He returned four punts for 46 yards, his longest being 16 yards.

Even with the injuries, the Bearcats saw no reason to change their game plan.

"We just went with our regular plan of attack," senior fullback Sean Shafar said. "We got people that have to step in and I think we did a good job doing that."

On the defensive side of the ball,

the Bearcats once again dominated. Baptist was only able to muster 11 yards on 22 carries. Overall, Baptist was held to 246 yards Saturday after averaging more than 400 yards in their first three games.

"I thought we played really good on defense pretty much the whole day," Tjeerdsma said. "They are really playing with a lot of confidence right now."

For the first time in 14 games, dating back to the 2001 season, Baptist had not allowed a sack. That was until Saturday when junior defensive end Justin Lacy broke through the Baptist offensive line in the first series of the game and sacked senior quarterback Chris Lowe.

The sack would force Baptist to punt.

Good field position allowed Northwest to strike first midway through the first quarter. Two Herring runs of 11 and 21 yards got the Bearcats near the red zone. Four plays

later, senior quarterback John McMenamin hit senior wide out Mark Stewart with a 12-yard pass for the touchdown.

Northwest's defense then forced Baptist to three-and-out for the third time in the game late in the first quarter.

On Northwest's next offensive possession, the Bearcats found themselves stuck in a third-and-20 situation after a reverse to sophomore wide receiver Sam Sisson caught five catches for 179 yards Saturday against Missouri Southern.

The Bearcats then caught Baptist sleeping when McMenamin found Andre Rector wide open for a 52-yard touchdown to make the score 14-0.

The Bearcats would later score in the second quarter with a 2-yard touchdown run by Herring, his second rushing touchdown of the season.

Please see CATS page 2B

Northwest football feature

Northwest receiver steps up, makes impact

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma and his coaching staff had to make a tough decision before Saturday's game in Bolivar, a decision on whether or not to start sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector.

Rector was nursing an ankle injury, but he suited up and hit the field for the pregame warm-up.

However, minutes before kickoff, Rector was in street clothes and the Bearcats were without the 2001 MIAA Freshman of the Year.

Enter Andre Rector, Jamaica's younger brother.

Andre, a redshirt freshman, got his first start in place of Jamaica in the Bearcats' 28-7 win over Southwest Baptist University and showed signs of becoming the next conference Freshman of the Year.

The 5-foot-11 freshman from Celeste, Texas, caught six passes for 107 yards including a 52-yard pass that he hauled in for his first touchdown of the season.

"Coach told me I had to step it up a notch because my brother wasn't going to play," Andre said. "That's what I did."

On the touchdown catch, Andre beat two Baptist defenders down the

right sideline for the catch, then let his speed do the rest.

"I knew if he got the ball, he's going to catch it and score," Jamaica said.

Going into the game Andre had caught six passes for 70 yards in three games. His performance Saturday put him second on the team in receiving with 12 catches averaging 42.2 yards a game.

"He stepped up big and I knew he was going to step up big," Jamaica said. "He's a big playmaker at all times and he did a good job today."

Throughout Saturday's game, Andre was turning to Jamaica for ways

to beat the Baptist secondary.

"He gave me a lot of advice on how the defensive backs were playing me and how to run my routes," Andre said.

Besides his 52-yard touchdown catch, Andre also had a 12-yard catch late in the second quarter that set up another Bearcat touchdown to give the team a 21-0 lead.

Andre was the first Bearcat since last season to have more than 100 yards receiving.

The last player to do that was Pat Jordan who achieved it against Missouri Western last season.

Andre will go back to his backup

Northwest game preview

Offense looks for consistency at Washburn

By CLARK GRELL
SPORTS EDITOR

After two subpar offensive performances, the Northwest Bearcats will look to get into an offensive groove Saturday in Topeka, Kan., against Washburn University.

The Bearcats (4-0) racked up 355 and 338 yards of total offense against the University of Missouri-Rolla and Southwest Baptist University. That compares to 479 yards, which the Bearcats had averaged throughout last season.

"We just want to be consistent and obviously not turn over the ball," senior wide receiver Mark Stewart said. "As long as we do that and put up a lot of points, we will do great."

Saturday could be the Bearcats' day to prove they can put up the offensive numbers of last year's 7-4 season.

Washburn (0-4) has allowed more than 500 yards and 42 points a game this season in their four losses.

Pittsburg State University scorched the Ichabods for 47 points in Topeka. A week later, Washburn gave up 28 unanswered points to Missouri Southern State College in a 52-28 loss to the Lions...

Bearcat Extra

■ Check out the game notes for this weekend's match-up.

■ What was this weekend's key play? To find out check-out page 2B.

■ Who is getting the start this weekend? For starting line-ups from both teams turn to page 2B.

■ To get the game time and destination turn to page 2B.

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GAME STATS

SCORE BY QUARTER

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First quarter

NW - Stewart 12 pass from McMenamin (Ibarra kick) 4:16

NW - A. Rector 52 pass from McMenamin (Ibarra kick) 1:10

Second quarter

NW - Herring 2 run 9:29

SBU - Hill 3 pass from Schuck (Mattson kick) 0:00

Third quarter

No scoring

Fourth quarter

NW - Glasnapp 16 pass from McMenamin (Ibarra kick) 9:46

Total elapsed time - 3:03

Attendance - 2,248

TEAM STATISTICS

		SBU
19	First downs	14
36	Rush attempts	22
118	Net yards rushing	11
220	Net yards passing	235
35	Pass attempts	56
18	Pass completions	22
338	Total yards	246
56	Total return yards	30
7-35	Punts-avg.	8-39
1-1	Fumbles-lost	4-0
11-94	Penalties-yards	7-75
1-4	Sacks by-yards	2-28
29:53	Time of possession	30:07

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing- NW, Herring 23-133, Bule 6-9, Roberts 1-6, Shafar 1-1, White 1 - (minus) 10, McMenamin 2 - (minus) 28; SBU, Anding 8-27, Kirven 9-4, Green 1-0, Lowe 1 - (minus) 4, Schuck 3 - (minus) 16

Passing- NW, McMenamin 18-34-2 220, A. Rector 0-1-1 0; SBU, Schuck 11-29-1 115, Lowe 11-26-0 120, Bull 0-1-0 0

Receiving- NW, A. Rector 6-107, Stewart 5-46, A. Otto 3-40, Herring 3-11, Glasnapp 1-16; SBU, Whitley 8-55, Green 6-91, Johnson 3-11, Bull 2-16, Sepanski 1-41, Furlong 1-18,

INJURY UPDATE

■ Senior defensive end Mike Sunderman is probable for this week's game with a knee injury.

■ Senior running back Geromy Scaggs injured his sternum after landing on a facemask against Missouri-Rolla. He is questionable to play Saturday's game at Washburn.

■ Junior right tackle Ken Eboh severely sprained his left ankle in the first quarter of the win over Missouri-Rolla. He is out for three weeks.

■ Sophomore receiver Jamaica Rector is probable this week with an ankle sprain.

■ Junior strong safety Gabe Middleton is doubtful after separating his shoulder.

AFCA Division II Top 25

School	Last week
1. Grand Valley State (2-0)	1
2. Valdosta State (3-0)	2
3. Pittsburg State (3-0)	3
4. Saginaw Valley (3-0)	4
5. Carson-Newman (4-0)	5
6. Northwest (4-0)	7
7. Central Arkansas (4-0)	9
8. Tuskegee (4-0)	8
9. UC Davis (3-1)	10
10. Texas A&M-Kingsville (2-1)	12
11. Tusculum (4-0)	11
12. Central Mo. State (4-0)	13
13. Indiana (Pa.) (4-1)	14
14. Central Washington (5-0)	16
15. Western Washington (3-0)	15
16. C.W. Post (4-0)	17
17. Catawba (3-1)	18
18. Tarleton State (4-1)	6
19. Northern Colorado (4-1)	19
20. Bloomsburg (Pa.) (3-1)	20
21. Chadron State (3-1)	21
22. Findlay (Ohio) (4-0)	23
23. Nebraska-Kearney (3-1)	22
24. Harding (Ark.) (4-0)	24
25. Eastern New Mexico (4-0)	NR
Dropped out: Fort Valley State (Ga.)	

BY THE NUMBERS

11: the number of pass deflections the Bearcats had against Baptist Saturday.

0.5: Baptist's rushing average on 22 carries in Saturday's loss.

14: straight games Baptist went without giving up a sack before Justin Lacy's sack of Chris Lowe in the first quarter Saturday.



role this weekend when Jamaica returns to his starting role.

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Maryville soccer

'Hounds open up with 3-2 MEC win

By COLE YOUNG
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

If defense wins championships, the Maryville Spoofhound soccer team seems to be well on their way to the Midland Empire Conference championship.

Led by senior goalkeeper Tim Albee, the defense gave up just two goals, both on penalty kicks.

"Tim has been playing all summer and is really in his groove," head coach Stuart Collins said. "He has really turned it up lately."

The Smithville Warriors did manage 17 shots on the 'Hounds, however, many of them were altered by the speedy John Ensminger. Late in the game with a 3-2 lead, Ensminger was forced out of the game on a crucial penalty kick after he was struck with a yellow card.

"When John was forced out, Casey Thompson and Keaton

Guess stepped up and filled the middle nicely," Collins said.

The matchup began as a seesaw battle. Neither team was able to get anything going offensively. Midway through the first half, however, Adam Howell scored goal as he followed a missed 'Hounds shot and caught the goalkeeper coming forward. The Warriors were able to quickly counter the goal with a score of their own on a penalty kick.

Later in the first half, senior Pete Dawson was able to deflect a shot off of his knee to give the 'Hounds a 2-1 halftime lead.

The start of the second half was all Warriors as they controlled the ball during the start of the half. The 'Hounds were finally able to adjust to the stiff Donaldson Park wind and move the ball down the field.



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Sophomore midfielder Brian Donnelly tangles with a Smithville player for possession of the ball in the first half. The 'Hounds won the game 3-2.

As the half reached its midway point the 'Hounds set up for a corner kick with the game tied, 2-2. As the ball ping-ponged around inside of the box, Dawson was able to put in the game-winning goal.

"I saw the ball bounce past the keeper and towards me," Dawson said. "I knew right then that I was going to score."

With the win the 'Hounds run their record to 4-5-1 overall and 1-0 in MEC play. Up next for the 'Hounds is Leblond on Tuesday at Donaldson Park.

"Leblond is always tough" Collins said. "We split with them last year. They always prove to be a tough non-conference opponent."

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Maryville cross country

Runners compete well in Lafayette Invitational

By MARK EUSTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Maryville High School cross country team competed in the St. Joseph Lafayette meet Tuesday.

The girls' team had one of their best finishes in years, taking second just behind Benton. Carol Sutton finished fifth by running the 3.1-mile course in 23:36. For the boys the top finisher was Chris Kinman, who finished 51st, running 24:41.

"The girls did a great job tonight, nobody ran bad at all, we had one standout and everyone else had a very solid race," head coach Mark Anderson said.

In the race all girls placed in the top 30 which helped them earn the second-place overall finish.

With only three races left on the season before the team competes in district competition, the team is building up to races further on in the playoffs.

"Every course we run on we get

better, we are going to peak around district time, as long as we keep improving," Anderson said. "Everyone still needs to drop some time before districts but we definitely are in the hunt for a district title."

Last year the 'Hounds were able to send two runners to the state meet but this year they have a different set of goals.

"We would definitely like to improve on our finish last year and with the runners on this team we definitely have that ability," Anderson said.

The team looks to Sutton, who finished fifth this week as a leader, as well as Chris Kinmons, one of two male runners on the team.

"Chris does a great job of giving the girls something to work for in practice, they really have to chase him," Anderson said. "Carol has had a great year. She has placed (finishing in the top 20) in all but one meet."

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BEARCAT EX

PREVIEW NOTES VS. WASHBURN

Bearcats with the edge: Northwest has won seven straight games against the Ichabods and 10 of the last 11. The last win for Washburn came in 1994 when the Ichabods won 48-14. The last time the Bearcats played in Topeka in 2000, the 'Cats pounded the Ichabods for 63 points in a 63-21 win.

Who turned out the lights: With this Saturday's upcoming game, the Ichabods might want to think twice about playing at night. The Ichabods are 7-32 in conference games starting after 6 p.m. since 1989.

Pound for pound: The Ichabod

defensive line has a height average of 6-0-0-1 and average 256 pounds. That line will go up against a Northwest offensive line that have an average height and weight of 6-foot-4 and 316 pounds.

Playing all four quarters: Northwest has outscored their opponents 35-7 in the second quarter this season. That is not the worst news for Washburn. The Ichabods have been outscored 25-0 in the third quarter this season.

Finally coming home: After two weeks on the road, the Bearcats will return home Oct. 12 to a showdown with Missouri Southern State College.

Game day: Saturday

Kickoff: 7 p.m.

Where: Topeka, Kan., The Moore Bowl (capacity: 7,200)

Series: Northwest leads the series 16-5.

Radio: KXCV (90.5 FM), KRNW (88.9 FM), KCXL (1140 AM), KNIM (1580 AM, 97.1 FM), KAAN (99.5 FM)

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Pound for pound: The Ichabod



Northwest

Fr. Mitch Herring
39 carries, 226 yards
5.8 avg, 4 TDs, 56.5 ypg

Sr. John McMenamin
125-72-4, 56.7 percent
9 TDs, 224.2 ypg, 897 yds

Sr. Mark Stewart
15 catches, 179 yards
2 TDs, 44.8 ypg

Sr. John Edmonds
24 total tackles, 10 solo
14 assists, 2FF, 1 FR

Sr. Eddie Ibarra
5-5 FG, 14 PATs, 29 points
7.25 points per game

MIAA standings

School	MIAA	Overall
1. Central Missouri State	2-0	4-0
2. Missouri Southern	2-0	4-0
3. Northwest	2-0	4-0
4. Pittsburg State	2-0	4-0
5. Emporia State	1-1	3-1
6. Truman State	1-1	3-1
7. Missouri Western	0-2	2-2
8. Southwest Baptist	0-2	1-3

Team leaders

Rushing

Fr. Dustin Hickel
40 carries, 124 yards
3.1 avg, 1 TD, 31.1 ypg

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7 TDs, 184 ypg, 736 yards

Fr. Sam Sissom
13 catches, 275 yards
5 TDs, 68.8 ypg

So. Joe Corcoran
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28 assists, 1 INT

Sissom
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7.5 points per game

Scoring offense

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WU 22.0

Scoring defense

NW 14.2

WU 19.9

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Total offense

NW 324.2 yards

WU 286.0 yards

Total defense

NW 284.8 yards

WU 507.7 yards

Scoring offense

NW 31.8

WU 22.0

Scoring defense

NW 14.2

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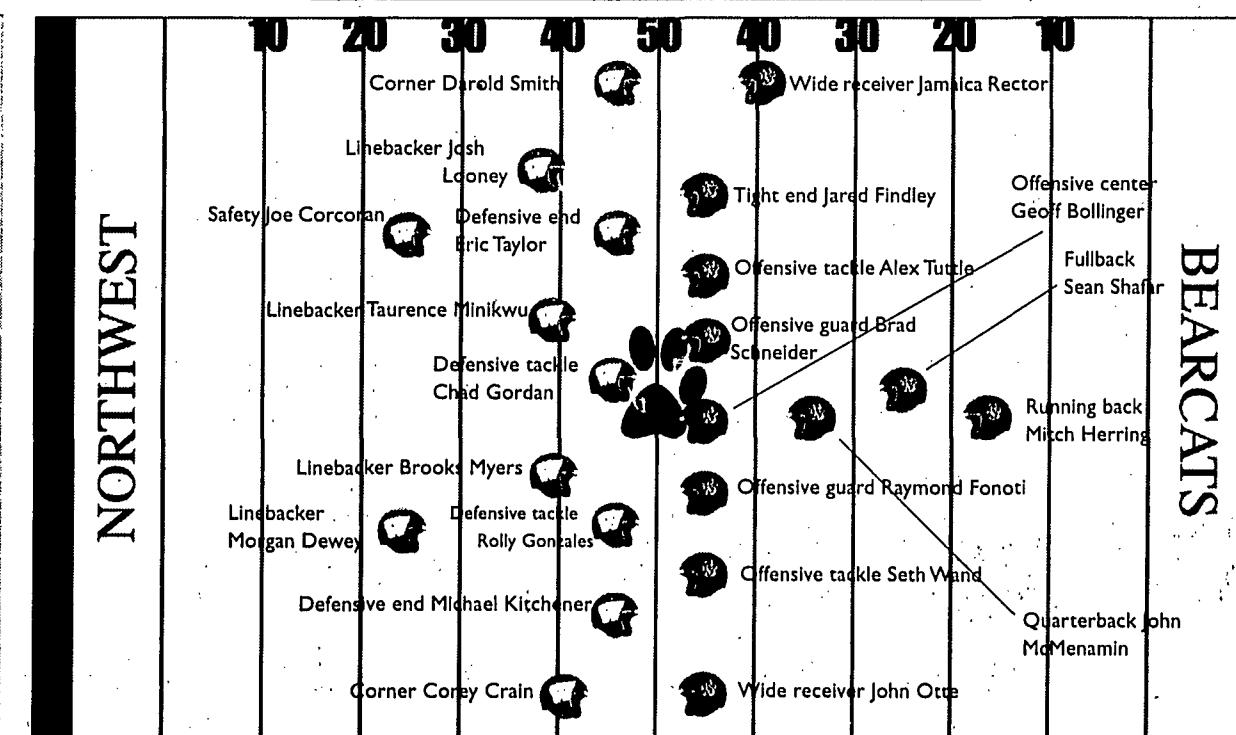
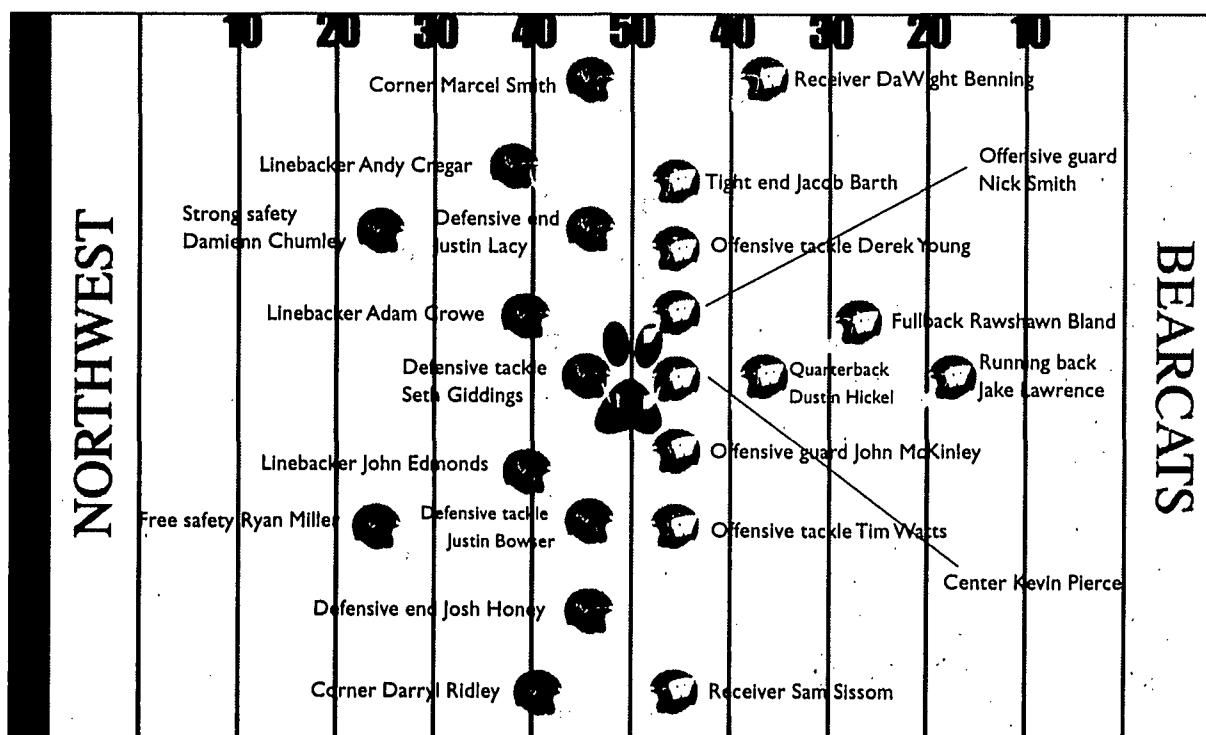
Time of possession

NW 27.47

WU 26.22

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CATS from 1B

Bearcats shut down Baptist offense

The offense would manage its fourth touchdown of the game early in the fourth quarter when McMenamin found Glasnapp in the corner of the end zone for six on a 16-yard pass play.

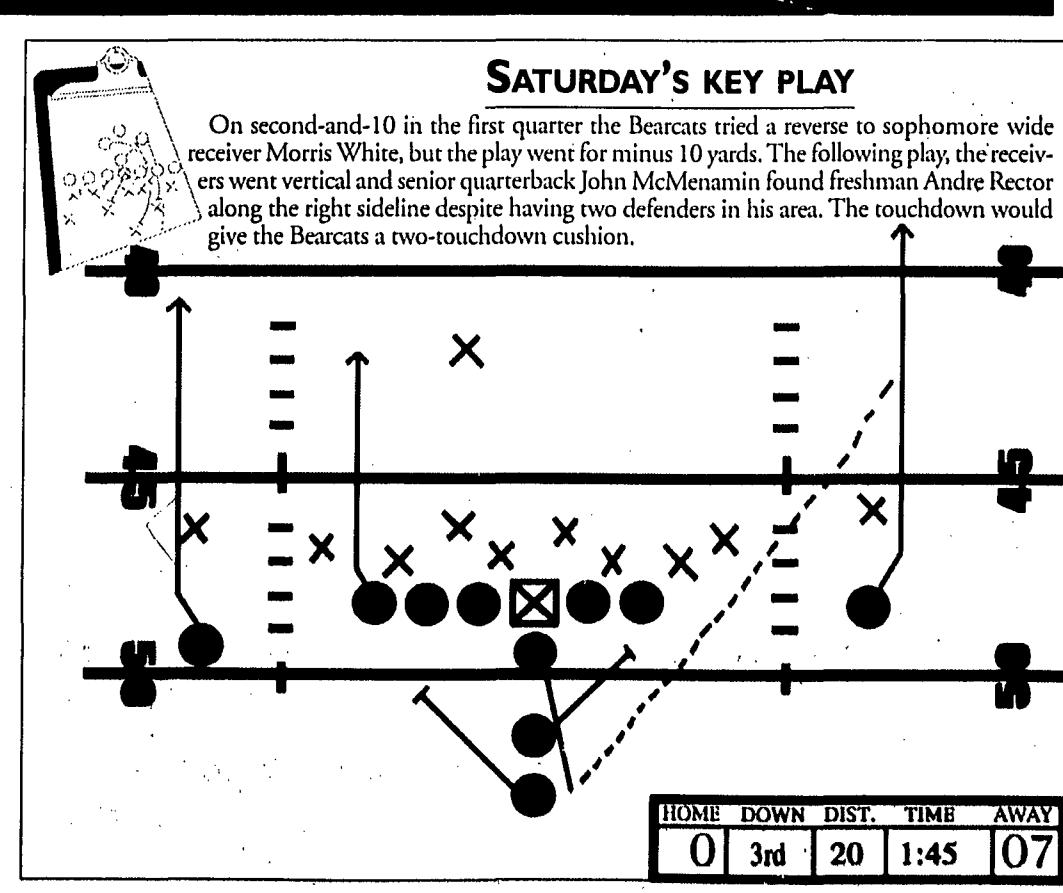
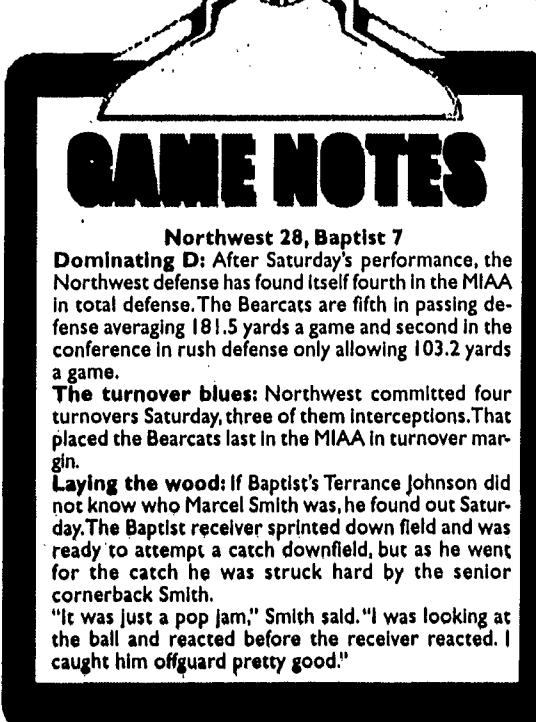
The offense got the points needed for the win but it was all about the defense this day. Three times Baptist turned the ball over on downs. Although Northwest committed four turnovers of its own, Baptist only managed seven recorded points on the day and four more tackles than went for losses.

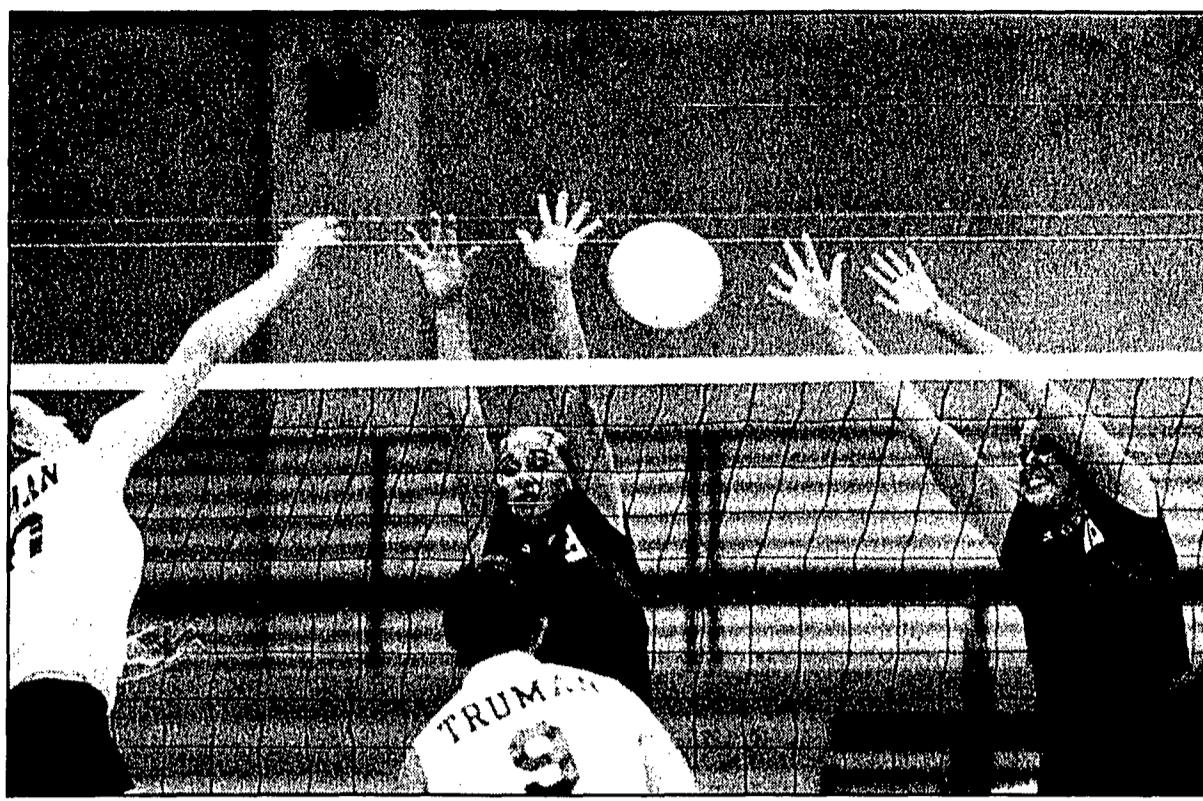
The Bearcats now stand at 4-0, 2-0 in the conference, but the team knows they have a lot of work ahead of them as they head into the heart of the MIAA schedule.

"It's all about playing together," junior strong safety Damienn Chumley said. "After the Mankato game, we've really stepped it up."

Chumley was another one of those players that stepped up because of injuries. He picked off freshman quarterback Mark Schuck's pass late in the fourth quarter to put an exclamation mark on the game.

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Freshman outside hitter Sara Jones and junior middle hitter Leslie Junker work together to try to block a Truman State spike in the second game Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena. The Bulldogs defeated the 'Cats in three sets.

Northwest volleyball

Bulldogs handle 'Cats in three

By RYAN DELEHANT
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Bearcat volleyball team got the opportunity to upset nationally-ranked Truman State Wednesday night, but were unsuccessful.

The Bulldogs, ranked No. 17 in Division II, showed why they are a conference contender by downing the Bearcats in three games, 30-23, 30-19, 30-23.

Truman State dominated all three games with five serving aces throughout the night. They out-blocked the Bearcats 12-4.

As a team, the Bearcats were outgained in kills 56-39.

Freshman outside hitter Allison Hyland led the Bearcats in assists with 31. Junior outside hitter Kerri Steffens was not too far behind Hyland, finishing with 27 assists of her own.

Senior middle hitter Heidi Hoffert and junior setter Holli Gillette paced the Bearcats in digs with nine apiece.

The Bearcats split its weekend

games with Central Missouri State University and Southwest Baptist University over the weekend.

Against CMSU, the Bearcats were up 11-4 in game one before letting the Jennies gradually come back and win 30-26.

In games two and three, errors and 5-0 runs by CMSU prevented any chance for a comeback as the Bearcats dropped the final two games, 30-24, 30-20.

"They are the highest (nationally) ranked team we have played so far," head coach Sarah Pelster said.

The team was led offensively by Hyland with 17 kills. Rolf handed out 19 assists followed by Gillette with 12. Because of an injury to senior Megan Danek, Rolf and Gillette have shared time at the setter position.

"We had a good week in practice with Rolf and Gillette at setter," Pelster said. "They did a good job of running the offense tonight."

Defensively Rolf led the team with 17 digs. Also contributing were

sophomore Melea Zacharias with 13 digs and Hoffert with 12. Hoffert also collected one solo block and seven assisted blocks in the loss.

"We played consistent tonight with our biggest adjustment being our blocking," Pelster said.

On Saturday, the Bearcats were able to defeat the Bearcats of Southwest Baptist in three sets, 30-14, 30-21, 30-24.

Hyland led the team in kills with 16. Gillette dished out 20 assists while Rolf had 19.

On the defensive side the team was led by freshman Sara Jones with 13 digs followed by Hoffert and Zacharias with 10 each. Junior Leslie Junker led the team in blocks with five.

The Bearcats are now 6-11 overall and have a sixth-place record of 2-4 in the MIAA conference. Their next match will be on the road against Emporia State University (12-7, 3-4) Wednesday.

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Northwest cross country

Men take first place at Rolla meet

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

The men's and women's cross country teams came back from the University of Missouri-Rolla Invitational Saturday with first and third-place finishes, respectively.

The men's team beat UMR by 16 points and the top-five runners on the team were 45 seconds apart. Head coach Rich Alsup said he was not surprised about how the team did.

"We didn't know if we would win it (the race) but we expected to run well and we did," Alsup said.

Junior John Heil placed third, while senior John Kasoa and junior Chad Fowler ran to fourth and fifth-place finishes.

"Talent wise, a number of them could be there (first on the team) and they compete hard against each other, but that makes a team better," Alsup said.

Sophomore Mark Aubrey said the

team is running well and is hopeful he can improve as a runner.

"I think the team has been doing really well and we have been packing up really well," Aubrey said. "My personal goals are to get faster and I'd like to move farther up on the team."

The women's team finished behind Missouri Southern State College and meet champion Truman State University.

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Freshman Dia McKee ran to an eighth-place finish, while sophomores Ashley Grosse and Jessica Lane placed 17th and 22nd, respectively.

Head coach Vicki Wooton said the team competed well.

"This was our first competition with Truman State and Southern but I was really pleased with how close we were to Southern," Wooton said. "I thought we were competitive and I think they ran

faster than they did last week."

Wooton said McKee is running well as a team leader.

"I think it's a new role for her," Wooton said. "I know she can run faster and if Ashley and Jessica can run with her, we'll be that much stronger."

Southwest Baptist University is one of 10 teams that will be at the Emporia State Invite. This will mark the first time the team has seen the Hornets.

"Emporia State won the meet last year and we placed fourth last year so I'm hoping to get in the top three this year," Wooton said.

Teams from across the Midwest will be at Emporia. The women will run at 5 p.m. and the men will run at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at the Jones Youth Recreation Park.

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Allison Hyland

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The senior helped the Spoofhounds clinch the MEC title when she struck out 10 batters in a 2-1 win over Benton Monday against Lafayette. She had 10 strikeouts and lowered her ERA to .07 in the 3-0 win.

Talina Canon

Maryville football

'Hounds prepare for Pirates

One of state's best weekly matchups to take place Friday in 'Hound Pound

By MARK EUSTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Friday night two of the top football teams in the state face off in a matchup that may be seen later this year again in the playoffs.

The 'Hounds, currently ranked seventh in Missouri, have an appointment with a Platte County team that is currently 4-0 and has won several state titles in recent history.

"In the big picture it is just another game that doesn't have playoff implications, but to win we will have to keep doing what we have been doing well," head coach John Pelzer said.

Going into Friday's game the team plans to change some of their strategies in order to help stop the Pirates.

"Every week you change your game plan, just to give you the best advantage that you can possibly have," Pelzer said.

If the 'Hounds want to emerge victorious the defense that has looked like a brick wall in past weeks will have to hold up against a high-powered Pirate offense. The defense has only allowed one touchdown on the season, close to 4.2 points per game and has posted a shutout on the year.

"If the other team can't score, or can't score much, it makes it a lot

easier; they have been a big factor," Pelzer said.

Last week the team stumbled out of the gates, but cannot afford to do so this week against Platte County, Pelzer said.

"We need to be ready to play from the first play," Pelzer said.

"We showed up last week thinking it may be a cake walk and that wasn't the case. We need to play well, better than we played at Smithville and improve on our rush defense."

Last week the Spoofhounds rolled over Smithville 42-6. Though they started off slow, the team was able to rebound and beat Smithville.

"We are always happy with a win, we came out slow in the first half, but in the second half we came out and executed," Pelzer said. "Every week you have to come out and be ready to

Friday's highlights

Score: Maryville, 42

Smithville, 6

Top rusher: Bryce Buholt, 148 yards on 16 carries

Top passer: Ryan Holman, 133 yards passing, 2 TD

Top tackler: Evan Wilmes, 10

Next on the 'Hounds' list

Game day: Friday vs. Platte County

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: The 'Hound Pound

The bottom line: The 'Hounds (4-0) will look to take down last year's Class 4-A state champions, Platte County. Both teams have been dominant on defense this season. The winner of the game could be a favorite to win it all come November.

Quarterback Ryan Holman also passed for 133 yards, throwing two touchdowns, one to Derek Merrill, the other to Sydney Brisbane.

The 'Hounds square off against the Platte County Pirates at 7 p.m. Friday at the 'Hound Pound. They look to improve their unbeaten record.

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Maryville volleyball

Spikers regroup after loss to Cameron

By JASON MEHRHOFF
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Heading into the match against Cameron Thursday, the 'Hounds were working on their fourth-straight win.

They came out with a loss, but also with a lesson learned.

"They (Cameron) are a very solid team and we knew that everyone had to be on," head coach Hope Pappert said.

"We had a bad night and beat ourselves."

The 'Hounds service receiving was the major factor in helping beat Lafayette for the third time this year.

"If you don't pass the ball to the setters, you can't win," Pappert said. "Overall, we played very poor defense."

The 'Hounds jumped off to a 15-7 first game win with the aid of senior setter Bridget Staeshelm.

"Bridget hit unbelievably," Pappert said. "She had several kills and ace serves and overall had an excellent night."

Maryville dropped the next game to Lafayette 15-10, but took the match in the third game in a 15-6 route.

"We came in very confident and we knew we could beat them," Pappert said.

Confidence was a big issue and we played very well the first and third game."

Ann Hagen and Mallory Herring also helped ensure the win by combining on four blocks and eight assists.

"Just about everything was blocked," Pappert said. "Very few games are offense and defense on in the same night."

Another key for the 'Hounds' victory was serving. The team finished with more than 93 percent for the game.

With a record of 6-6-2, the 'Hounds have had their best season in four years.

Fan Plan

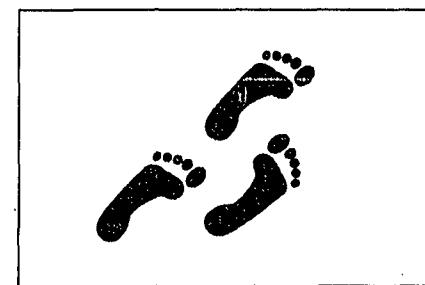
Home games

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest football				Washburn 7 p.m.			
Northwest volleyball							
Northwest cross country			E.S.U. Invitational 10 a.m.				
Northwest soccer					Missouri Southern 3 p.m.		
Maryville football			Platte County 7 p.m.				
Maryville volleyball		Savannah 7 p.m.					
Maryville boys' soccer	Leblond 4 p.m.			Benton 4:30 p.m.			
Maryville cross country				Maryville Invite 4:30 p.m.			
Maryville girls' golf	Smithville/Platte Co. 4 p.m.			Albany 8:30 a.m.			
Maryville softball	N. Andrew 5 p.m.				Benton 4 p.m.		
Maryville girls' tennis		Benton/Sav. Tour 9 a.m.			Lafayette 4:30		
						Benton 4 p.m.	MEC Tour 9 a.m.



Nothing but

Town disappoints Stroller



THE STROLLER

With my occasional Friday night visit to a local bar in Maryville's "town square" a realization came to me outside the courthouse at 1 a.m. Ten years from now, if I come back to Maryville, it will probably be just like it is today and sadly, that doesn't seem to bother the people that live here.

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